March 2, 1939

Mr. Lester B. Granger, Secretary
Standing Committee on Negro Welfare
44 East 23rd Street
New York City

Dear Mr. Granger:

May I thank you for your letter of February 15, pertaining to Miss Eleanor J. Todd of Burlington, New Jersey.

As we make up our faculty for 1939-40, we will give all possible consideration to Miss Todd's application.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 2, 1939

Mr. I. Myrtle Carden, Director
Hallie Q. Brown Community House
553 Aurora Avenue
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Carden:

Thanks for your letter of February 10th, recommending Miss Mildred Brooks as a capable stenographer and secretary.

When we make up our faculty staff for 1939-40, we will give all possible consideration to Miss Brooks.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

March 4, 1939

Misses Josephine and
Louise Emery
135 N. Coats Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Misses Emery:

May we thank you for your generous contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through Mr. Ernest Dyett.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for your contribution and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering. Please visit our Institution and bring your friends. I am sure you will enjoy our Sunday afternoon programs - held at three o'clock every Sunday. We shall be happy to welcome you here.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 4, 1939

Mrs. C. J. Roberts & Family
Miami, Florida

Dear Mrs. Roberts & Family:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $3.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are indeed grateful for this contribution and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us. Use your influence whenever and wherever possible in our behalf.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 4, 1939

Mr. S. O. Thompson
8 Northumberland Street
Toronto, Ontario

Dear Mr. Thompson:

May I thank you for your letter of February 23, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College, and congratulate you on your wonderful achievements.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give your application every possible consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 4, 1939

Mr. J. O. Soders
1122 Fayette Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Mr. Soders:

May I thank you for your letter of February 8, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College, and congratulate you on your wonderful achievements in the field of Music.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give your application every possible consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 4, 1939

Miss Addie Lee Mathis
Fort Valley Normal & Industrial School
Fort Valley, Georgia

Dear Miss Mathis:

May we thank you for your letter of February 13, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College this summer.

We do not have a vacancy in our Domestic Art Department. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 6, 1939

Mrs. M. L. Livingston
824 N. Oleander
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Livingston:

May we express our thanks to you for your contribution of books to our Library.

We are grateful for your contribution and for your thought of us. These books have been placed in our Library and they are serving the community as well as our students at Bethune-Cookman College.

We solicit your continued interest in our program and invite you to visit our school whenever possible.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 6, 1939

To The Manager Pick & Pay Grocery Store
Second Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Sir:

May we express our thanks to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We solicit your continued interest and invite you and your friends to visit our school whenever possible. Enclosed is a leaflet of our Sunday afternoon Community program.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 6, 1939

Miss Marie Vernon
Clark University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Vernon:

May we thank you for your letter of March 6, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are very much interested in your qualifications and wish to congratulate you on your accomplishments. However, we do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. Nevertheless, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 6, 1939.

Mr. Theodore Brooks, Manager,
The College Arms Hotel,
DeLand, Florida.

My dear Mr. Brooks:

May we thank you for the opportunity given our students to sing for your guests in the College Arms Hotel, last evening. We sincerely hope that they gave a very acceptable program.

We are very grateful for the collection of $10.85, receipt for which is enclosed. This will help us very greatly in meeting the expense of our publicity group.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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[illegible] 6, 1939

Mrs. E. L. Barker
513 N. Peninsula
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Baker:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for the Clerical Suit given Bethune-Cookman College.

We are grateful to you for this contribution and for your thought of us. This suit will be very useful to some of our Negro ministers. We solicit your continued interest in our work. We enclose a leaflet of our Community Program and invite you and your friends to visit us whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 6, 1939.

Dr. Robert Shailor Holmes,
37 North Halifax Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Dr. Holmes:

We are just so grateful to you for your continued friendship and confidence. For all of these years you have stood so closely by our efforts and have been so generous in your suggestions, your advice, your influence and your material gifts. We are so grateful to you for all you have meant to us.

May we express our deep gratitude for the splendid Forum series of this year. The lectures have been thoroughly enjoyed by our students, teachers and friends. We cannot tell you how much it means to our people to receive this information on vital world issues.

Your gift of twenty five dollars is warmly appreciated, and we enclose receipt for this amount.

Gratefully, sincerely,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 8, 1939.

Miss Clara Burton
502 East Colonial Drive
Orlando, Florida

My dear Miss Burton:

May we thank you for your cordial letter of March 6th, and for your continued interest in Robert Clark and in Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for your remittance of $83.00, which covers the board and room for Clark for the balance of the year. We are all so grateful to you for this confidence in our work.

Robert will write to you, expressing his great gratitude for this opportunity you are giving him.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 9, 1939.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mr. L. E. Hall, Principal,
Hungerford School,
Maitland, Florida.

My dear Mr. Hall:

I have been delayed in answering much of my correspondence because of illness and the resultant piling up of work in the office. I hope you will forgive me for answering your letter of February 17th prior to this time.

I just want to thank you, the trustees, faculty and students of Hungerford, for the cordial invitation to give your Commencement address on June 2nd, 1939. I regret to say that I cannot serve you at that time for I shall not be in the State. I hope that I may not be so busy after this year and may be able to meet some of our young people over the State in their Commencement exercises.

May I congratulate you upon the splendid work you are doing in Maitland. I am constantly hearing good reports of you. May God continue to bless your efforts.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 9, 1939.

Mrs. Winifred E. Freethy,
125 North Wild Olive Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Freethy:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of twenty-five dollars to our Student-Teacher "Loyalty Rally" through Mrs. Florence L. Dyett. This type of interest and confidence means so much to us in our efforts to maintain our work. Your gift not only swelled the Rally total, but it also brought great stimulus to the closing days of the effort.

We have been delayed in sending the receipt and acknowledgment to you, because of the unusual press of work in our offices. Please know, however, how grateful we are for your generous interest and help.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 9, 1939.

Mrs. Raymond Walker,
Chaffee Place,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Walker:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your continued interest in our work. Your donation to our "Spring Fete" was so greatly appreciated. It brought encouragement as well as help to us.

We hope that your interest in our work will continue and that you will visit the Institution often. We extend you a very cordial invitation to be with us for the "All-States Day" program on Sunday, March 12th.

With sincere good wishes,

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 9, 1939.

Miss Jane M. Wilcox,
Princess Issena Hotel,

Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Miss Wilcox:

We have received, through Mrs. Harley Jones, your contribution of five dollars to our Institution and we send this note to express our deep gratitude to you. This gift brings encouragement as well as help to us at this time.

Mrs. Jones told you, we feel sure, of the great success of the "Spring Fete." You know, of course, of the fine success of the Sale at the Princess Issena Hotel. All of these activities which stimulate the interest of friends and help us to meet our budget needs, are indications of the good-will of those who believe in us.

Please visit the school often while you are here. The program for Sunday afternoon promises to be very interesting. It is "All-States" day and will have a [illegible] program of the old songs. We hope that you will come over for this program.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 9, 1939.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mr. Thomas J. Baldwin

Burbank, Florida

My dear Mr. Baldwin:

We find ourselves facing a great need in the matter of our Agricultural work, and my attention has been called to your recent application. I am very much interested in your qualifications.

I would like very much to have a conference with you, if you are interested in the possibility of working with us in Bethune-Cookman College. I shall be in the State until March 18th, and if you can come over, I shall be glad to discuss the matter with you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Spring Fete folder

March 9, 1939.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mr. A. L. Moody,

Fargo, North Dakota.

My dear Mr. Moody:

I send this note to express our gratitude for your present here at our "Spring Fete," for your interest in our Institution and for your generous contribution of twenty dollars. This means so much to us at this time.

We hope that you will come to see us again and learn more of the work we are trying to do here. The enclosed leaflets may give you a more definite idea of our program. We need strong, new friends, Mr. Moody, and we hope that your interest in us will continue and grow.

We enclose official receipt for your generous contribution.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 10, 1939.

Miss Arsania M. Williams,
4318 San Francisco Avenue,
Saint Louis, Missouri.

My dear, dear Friend:

I wish very much that I might be with you and the friends of Union Memorial M. E. Church, on the occasion of the Testimonial in honor of Rev. Abbott. I have known him for many years and have watched his work with great admiration.

I am very happy to send a tribute, which I hope you may be able to use in your printed program.

With best wishes for a grand celebration, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 10, 1939.

To Whom It May Concern,

For many years I have known and have admired the outstanding Christian service of Rev. Benjamin Franklin Abbott, Pastor of Union Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church of Saint Louis, Missouri.

I think it is eminently fitting, at this time, for the people of Saint Louis to pay tribute to his life and service among them for these three decades. May I join with them in commending his service and rejoice with them that his leadership has been theirs over this period of years.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

March 10, 1939.

Miss May Getzendanner
3414 Cheviot Avenue
Cincinnati, Ohio

My dear Miss Getzendanner:

I have read your letters with full understanding and sympathy. I know just you are facing in the matter of your treatments. I do not think it will be wise at all for you to come down under these circumstances. We will just have to hold on and do the best we can until we can secure a bookkeeper. I know of your full willingness, for your spirit of interest and cooperation have been proven long ago. I just do not feel like asking you to take this risk.

We will keep in touch with you and let you know just how we get along. Meanwhile, if you can make recommendation of a good woman to us, particularly for the bookkeeping, please write me here.

With sincere good wishes,

Cordially yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 11, 1939

Mrs. George Barlow
338 N. Ridgewood Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Barlow

May we express our gratitude to you for your contribution of curtains and magazines to Bethune-Cookman College.

These magazines are very helpful to our practice teachers. The interesting pictures are taken from these magazines and used in the class rooms for the benefit of the smaller children. The beautiful curtains are being used in the girls' dormitory. Please know that we are grateful for your thought of us and for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

With many thanks,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 11, 1939.

Miss Olivia Hampton
Florida A and M College

Tallahassee, Florida

My dear Miss Hampton:

I am always happy to receive your letters, to receive first-hand information of your work and to know that it is making progress.

I seriously doubt my inability to go to Tallahassee for the Conference. I have written to Mrs. Pynchon and Mr. Redkey, telling them that I will do my best to get there but do not wish to have them place me on the program for anything. Just know that I will get there if it is possible.

It is my hope that you may be transferred to work in Jacksonville. You are splendidly equipped for service in your field and it would be so fine for you to be located at home.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 11, 1939.

Dr. Paul A. Diggs,
106 West 5th Street,
Lakeland, Florida.

My dear Dr. Diggs:

Thank you for your letter of March 6th, and for the copies of "Today's Thoughts" the first of your series. These are indeed splendid.

It meant so much to me to serve the people of Lakeland [illegible] to receive such a hearty welcome from them. My office here would be pleased to receive clippings from the newspapers as mentioned in your letter.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 11, 1939.

Miss Anna O. Young,
College Hills,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Miss Young:

It was so pleasant to have you and Miss Lunsford here for a brief visit. We sincerely hoped that you enjoyed your tour of the school.

We are deeply grateful for your interest and hope that it may grow as you know more of our work. We need friends like you to use your influence in our behalf and to tell the world of our venture here in Florida.

May we thank you again for your generous contribution of ten dollars to our maintenance budget. This gift brings encouragement as well as help to us.

Please come to see us again, and please continue thoughtful of us.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 11, 1939.

Miss Emma C. Lunsford,
Dover, Kentucky.

My dear Miss Lunsford:

We thoroughly enjoyed the brief visit of you and Miss Young and hope that you received a favorable impression of the work we are trying to do in Bethune-Cookman College.

We need strong new friends and we hope that your interest in us will grow as the years go by and you learn more of our work.

May we thank you again for your generous contribution of ten dollars to our maintenance budget. This gift brings encouragement as well as help to us at this time.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever you can.

Gratefully, sincerely,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 11, 1939.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mrs. Norma Darden
111 Pinder Street

Wilson, North Carolina

My dear Norma:

I am happy to receive your letter and happy to know that you are getting along so well.

I wish, my dear, that it might be possible for me to stop by Wilson and serve you as you have indicated. I shall be forced to go to Washington from an engagement in Tallahassee, Florida, however, and must forego the pleasure of being with you this time.

I know you have heard of Flo[illegible]ie's death. [illegible]e brought her body [illegible]o Florida for last rites and burial. It was very sad.

Come down to see us when you can.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 11, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Miss Billie Organ
Tuskegee Institute
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama

Dear Miss Organ:

May we thank you for your letter of March 6, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are very interested in your qualifications and wish to congratulate you on your accomplishment. However, we do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. We are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which [illegible] are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 11, 1939

Mr. James B. Mitchell
1730 Fifteenth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

May we thank you for your letter of March 7, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are very much interested in your qualifications, but we do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 11, 1939

Miss Mary L. McAfee
Morris Brown College
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss McAffe:

May we thank you for your letter of March 2, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are very interested in your qualifications and wish to congratulate you on your accomplishment. However, we do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present and we do not anticipate a vacancy in the Library this summer. Nevertheless, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

March 14, 1936

Mrs. E. W. Boysen,
Social Executive,
Colonial Orange Court Hotel,
Orlando, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Boysen,

We are deeply grateful to you and to the guests of the Orange Court for receiving our Quintette so graciously. We hope that the program they rendered was enjoyed.

We are grateful also for the offering of $13.20, receipt for which is enclosed herewith. These contributions help us so greatly in meeting our maintenance needs.

We request the use of your influence in behalf of our work here, and your interest in our program.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 14, 1939.

Mr. Herbert Davidson, Editor,
The Daytona Beach News-Journal,

Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mr. Davidson:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for making it possible for us to have the benefit of the Cooking School on Friday of last week.

You will be interested to know that we had an attendance of over three hundred and the session proved most interesting and informing. The entire audience was delighted with Miss Gale.

I can never tell you what this type of cooperation and interest mean to us here in Bethune-Cookman. We bless you for it.

Again, may we thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 15, 1939.

Miss Edith Kenea,
58 S. Beach Street,
Ormond, Florida.

My dear Miss Kenea:

I would like very much to have a little conference with you regarding the work of Bethune-Cookman College. We do so much need your real interest and help. If you will permit me to see you, kindly let me know. I shall possibly be here until next Monday.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

MMB/fb

March 15, 1939.

Mrs. G. Fay Rhodes,
610 E. 6th Street,
Coffeeville, Kansas.

My dear Mrs. Rhodes:

Thanks very much for your letter. I would like very much to come to your section to talk to your people, and to look into the work of the National Youth Administration. I shall be in Kansas City beginning the twenty-sixth of April for three weeks, attending the United Conference. If it is possible for me to come to you, I will do so.

Where is Coffeeville from Kansas City? Please know that I am interested, and would like to accommodate you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

MMB/fb

March 15, 1939.

Mrs. Ruth Logan Roberts,
National Association of Colored
Graduate Nurses,
50 West 50th Street,
New York City, N. Y.

My dear Ruth:

Thanks for your letter and enclosure. I think it splendid. I shall be glad to see you sometimes when I am in New York. We must get together a little. I shall make it possible to find you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

MMB/fb

General

March 16, 1939.

Dr. John R. Ross,
Harlem Vally Hospital,
Wingdale, New York.

My dear Dr. Ross:

Your letter regarding Mrs. Frances Taylor has reached me. It saddens me very much to realize that I am not in a position to say to you what to do with Mrs. Taylor. I know her very well, and wish I could find a place where she may go for work. I have a niece just about in her condition in our state hospital here, and cannot place her. I do hope some way may be opened up, or that it might be possible for you to find a place for her.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

MMB/fb

March 15, 1939.

Mrs. E. L. King,
South Peninsula Drive,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. King:

I wonder if you will be kind enough to permit me to come in for a little conference with you. We do not want to lose touch with you; we do not want you to lose interest here. I am doing, as you know, the very best I know how. I shall be here until next Monday. Please let me know when I may come in and see you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

MMB/fb

March 15, 1939.

Miss Frances Gibson,
Route 4, Box 11,
Live Oak, Florida.

My dear Frances:

Thanks very much for your letter. I am happy to know you are well and getting along well. It was very fine that you could visit your friends in Nashville at Christmas time, and you went back to them a better prepared girl than you were when you left.

Mr. Backus will be in the state, but I will not have an opportunity to see him, for I am very busy. You should write him at Raleigh, N. C., c/o The State Department. He is working there, and I am sure he would appreciate a letter from you. I think it is lovely for you to keep up with the friends who have tried to assist you. Do your best, save every dollar that you can, and try to get back to school as quickly as you can.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

MMB/fb

March 15, 1939.

Mr. James R. Dixon,
Smith Brown High School,
Arcadia, Florida.

My dear Mr. Dixon:

It will be impossible for me to be with you May 4. I shall be in Kansas City, Mo. for a three weeks conference. I regret this exceedingly.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune
Director, Division of Negro Affairs
National Youth Administration

MMB/fb

March 15, 1939.

Miss Havel Daniels,
416 N. Palmetto Avenue,
San Antonio, Texas.

My dear Miss Daniels:

May I thank you for your letter, and apologize for not having answered you earlier. My files have been piled up, and I have not had a chance to go through it. I regret exceedingly my inability to be with you the time you requested. Some day I hope I may be in a position, and have time and strength to visit your young people.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

MMB/fb

Gen,

March 16, 1939.

Miss Havel Daniels,
416 North Palmetto Avenue,
San Antonio, Texas.

My dear Miss Daniels:

May I thank you for your letter and apologize for not having answered it earlier.

My files have been piled high with work and I have not had chance to get to it during these very busy days.

I regret to state that I shall not be able to be with you at the time you request. I hope, some day, that I may be in position, and have the time and strength to visit your young people.

With best wishes for your continued success, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Gen.

March 16, 1939.

Miss Hattie Edwards,
175 N. Monroe Street,
Columbus, Ohio.

My dear Miss Edwards:

I am returning again with interest to your letter of January 13, and I am congratulating you upon the success upon reestablishing yourself, and the possibility of getting your message over. I shall be very happy to be of any service I can to you, and hope that your book will be a success; and I am sure that any interest you may manifest in Bethune-Cookman College will be greatly appreciated. I am returning to my office in Washington the latter part of the week.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

MMB/fb

March 17, 1939

Mr. F. A. High
1220 Edwards Avenue
Orlando, Florida

My dear Mr. High:

I shall be home through this coming Sunday, and two or three days next week. I shall be very happy to have you visit us. Make it possible to come over here this coming Sunday, March 19th. This would give me an opportunity to talk with you, and you would get some idea of the work we are doing here. Your letter have interested me very much. Dr. Stanley High is one of the Trustees of our Institution.

Every Sunday afternoon, we have a very interesting meeting at three o'clock. I am enclosing a leaflet which will give you an idea of what our program consist. I am not here very often. I am in Washington most of the time, but I will be here this coming Sunday.

This school is Bethune-Cookman College, situated on the West of Second Avenue. It will not be difficult to find at all.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

March 20, 1939

Dr. Paul A. Diggs
Lakeland, Florida

My dear Dr. Diggs:

Many thanks for the statements sent us, which we hope will be of great service. We regret very much that you were unable to come to the Testimonial Banquet on last Friday night. It was a very splendid occasion. We had a large representative group from Florida and many other states.

We are putting forth every effort to raise the first unit of our Endowment - $135,000. We are trying to secure a large number of $10.00 gifts. If you think you would like to be responsible for this amount, please send me a letter. I will be here for a few days, and then will return to Washington.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 21, 193[illegible]

Mrs. Marie Wilkes
124 Anita Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Wilkes:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through Mrs. Rosa Marie Bryon.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. This contribution brings encouragement as well as material aid to us. Please know that we are grateful for your thought of us and for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We solicit your continued interest and ask that you visit the Institution whenever possible.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 21, 1939.

Mrs. Henry White Cannon,
432 South Beach Street,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear, dear Mrs. Cannon:

I just want to express the gratitude of every student and teacher in Bethune-Cookman College, for your confidence, your friendship and the generous aid you have given to us for all of these years. I cannot tell you what it means to us.

Your gift of five hundred dollars to the Endowment Fund brings a great stimulus to our efforts. We must raise this first unit of $135,000 for endowment just as quickly as possible if we would qualify for the A Junior College rating.

Please, Mrs. Cannon, continue thoughtful of us as you have done in the past, and use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever possible.

This endowment campaign organization is separate from our regular operation and receipt from the committee will be sent to you within a few days.

God bless you for your continued interest.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

March 21, 1939

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Miss Geneva Campbell
Winterset, Iowa

My dear Miss Campbell:

God bless you for your continued interest and friendship, for the way you have helped our work during these years. I wish that you might visit Bethune-Cookman and see the worth-while-ness of the investments you have been making here.

I cannot tell you what help and encouragement your gift of one hundred dollars brings to us. It means so much to have our friends stand by us just now. Just know that you are investing directly in the lives and service of young people who need training and who pass the results of their opportunities on to others far less privileged.

Enclosed is a receipt for the amount contributed. Blessings upon you, dear friend!

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 21, 1939.

Miss Lillian Hines
4406 Indiana Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Lillian:

We are very much in need of your services in our Business office. I am sorry that you cannot come to us now, but I understand the circumstances which keep you from considering the matter now.

May I assure you Mr. Simpson will not be with us after this year. I hope, therefore, that you will seriously consider coming to us for the next fiscal year, for we are greatly in need of the type of service that you are prepared to render.

Please keep in touch with us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

March 21, 1939

Miss C. V. Morehead
1101 Powhattan Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Miss Morehead:

May I express my deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

It makes me feel good to know that [illegible] graduates are thoughtful of us and are willing to help carry on the program of Bethune-Cookman College. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and that it aids us greatly in meeting our daily maintenance here at the college.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

March 21, 1939

Mr. John S. Byington
810 Peninsula Drive
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Byington:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through Mrs. Rosa Marie Bryon.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are indeed grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

Please continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence whenever and wherever possible in our behalf.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

March 21, 1939

Miss Lucille Baker
Graduate Women's Club
124 Prospect Street
New Haven, Connecticut

Dear Miss Baker:

May we thank you for your letter of March 5th, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are very much interested in your qualifications and wish to congratulate you upon your achievements. We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give your application every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 22, 1939.

Mr. H. N. Johnson,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida,

My dear Mr. Johnson:

May we thank you for the services you have rendered Bethune-Cookman College during this year, and for your cooperation in many phases of the Institution's activities.

In our effort to meet standard requirements for an "A" rating for our Junior College, we are trying to secure the strongest possible teachers and workers. We regret that we cannot invite you to return to the staff for the scholastic year 1939-40, because the quality of your instruction is not of strong enough calibre to meet our needs at this time.

Please be assured of my willingness to cooperate with you in any plans you may have for affiliation elsewhere.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 22, 1939.

Mrs. Henry White Cannon,
432 South Beach Street,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Cannon:

In writing you yesterday, I failed to express our gratitude also for your generous donation to maintenance. It meant so much to us. It came just at a time when we needed just this lift. Bless you for it, and for all of your kindness to us.

The teachers and students who were permitted to visit your beautiful garden, and Miss Rhodes' and spend such a lovely hour there, are still talking about this opportunity. We can never tell you how much it meant to them to have the privilege of seeing these gardens.

Bless you for all you are doing for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

March 23, 1939.

Rev. A. Clayton Powell, Sr.
The Abyssinian Baptist Church,
132 West 138th Street,
New York City.

My dear Rev. Powell:

Thank you so much for your letter of March 21st.

I am making recommendation to our Business office to purchase a copy of your book for our Library. I, too, feel that it will be of great value to our students.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

March 23, 1939.

Mrs. W. F. Morris
Box 177
Ormond Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Morris:

The past few weeks have been so very busy, but we feel that much has been accomplished for the progress of Bethune-Cookman College.

We wish to express deep gratitude to the Advisory Board for the cooperation and help given to our work for all of these years. Your contributions of $500.00 to maintenance and of $16.38 to the Y. W. C. A. and $20.75 to the Boys' Dormitory Improvement, are gratefully received. I am sure you know just what they have meant to us in encouragement and help. We enclose official receipts for these amounts. The designated amounts are on our records and the amounts turned over to the departments indicated.

May we continue worthy of your confidence.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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personal

March 25, 1939.

Miss Naomi D. Lennon,
Selma University,
Selma, Alabama.

My dear Miss Lennon:

I have read with great interest and understanding, your letter of March 16, and I can understand the position in which you find yourself. I scarcely know what to advise you to do. If this man was honorable, he would not thus embarrass you. If you do not want to give publicity to this, you will just have to take the consequence and pay the debt yourself. But if you do not mind, I would advise that you hold these bills against him, and wherever he goes to work-present them and make him pay them.

I hope this will be a lesson that you will not involve yourself with worthless fellows. I wish I could write you in another vain, but I must soon take the train, and I am sending you this right now.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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March 27, 1939.

Miss Anna E. Pleasant
State School
State School, New York

Dear Miss Pleasant:

May we thank you for your letter of March 22nd, in which you make application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We have made tentative plans for the work of our dormitories for next year and cannot say, just at this time, that we can give consideration to your application. In the event that a vacancy arrises, we will be happy to give you consideration.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

MARY McLEOD BETHUNE, *President*
ABRAM L. SIMPSON, *Acting President*
WILLIAM M. COBB, *Treasurer*

March 27, 1939.

Mrs. Venice T. Spraggs
Alabama State Teachers College
Montgomery, Alabama

My dear Friend:

The beautiful Testimonial Banquet held in my honor on Friday evening, March 17th, was indeed a beautiful and inspiring occasion. I was overwhelmed with gratitude for the large group of friends who were present, and for those who sent their love, their greatings and their gifts, although they could not be present.

Faith Hall, decorated with spring flowers and greens, was beautiful, and was filled to its capacity. We enclose copy of the splendid program of the evening.

Following this program, a definite Drive for the endowment funds needed immediately for Bethune-Cookman College,was launched. Dr. Charlotte Hawkins Brown, President of Palmer Memorial Institute, of North Carolina, made the appeal, and with the response of friends present, and checks received from friends not present, re realized $2,600 for the Endowment Fund that night! Of this amount, $1,400 was in cash, and the balance in short-term pledges.

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $10.00, which helped bring this total to the amount indicated. Bless you for this confidence in my work. I cannot tell you how much it means to the school and to my efforts. Official receipt for your gift is enclosed.

The work of securing endowment funds will be continued during the spring and summer. We will keep you informed as to the progress of the work, for we know how interested you are. Meanwhile, please know that we will deeply appreciate the use of your influence in behalf of this need, whenever and wherever possible.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune

Mary McLeod Bethune.

March 30, 1939

Mr. Booker T. Moten
Western University
Quindaro, Kansas

Dear Mr. Moten:

May we thank you for your letter of March 24, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 30, 1939

Mr. James D. Tyms
3002 - 11th Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Tyms:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 30, 1939.

Mrs. Hattie M. Strong,
Hay-Adams House,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Friend:

In the spring of 1938, and in previous years, you have been kind enough to make generous contributions to help meet urgent maintenance needs in Bethune-Cookman College.

We take this opportunity to express to you our gratitude for your interest and confidence in our program. Your gifts have brought encouragement to our efforts for the Negro boys and girls who look to this school for inspiration and training, for the very molding that will make their lives useful to their fellowmen.

We hope, Mrs. Strong, that you will continue your interest in Bethune-Cookman. We need your help this year. We are putting forth strenuous efforts to bring our endowment to the figure of $200,000, which is the standard required by the Southern Association of Colleges. Until we can secure adequate endowment to assure sufficient maintenance funds, however, we must depend upon the friends who have helped us in the past, to help us now.

We will be so grateful for a contribution from you this year. Our work is filling a great need in this section, and every dollar invested by friends is bringing wonderful returns in the service of our graduates.

May we hear from you?

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Acknowledged

March 30, 1939

Miss Dolores Moore
Georgia Normal College
Albany, Georgia

Dear Miss Moore:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your application and [illegible] vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 30, 1939

Mrs. Mary Hyde
R. D. 4
Quaker City, Ohio

My dear Friend:

In the spring of 1938, and in previous years, you have been kind enough to make generous contributions to help meet urgent maintenance needs in Bethune-Cookman College.

We take this opportunity to express to you our gratitude for your interest and confidence in our program. Your gifts have brought encouragement to our efforts for the Negro boys and girls who look to this school for inspiration and training, for the very molding that will make their lives useful to their fellowmen.

We hope, Mrs. Hyde, that you will continue your interest in Bethune-Cookman. We need your help this year. We are putting forth strenuous efforts to bring our endowment to the figure of $200,000, which is the standard required by the Southern Association of Colleges. Until we can secure adequate endowment to assure sufficient maintenance funds, however, we must depend upon the friends who have helped us in the past, to help us now.

We will be so grateful for a contribution from you this year. Our work is filling a great need in this section, and every dollar invested by friends is bringing wonderful returns in the service of our graduates.

May we hear from you?

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

March 31, 1939.

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Mr. Sidney Cox Howard
7210 Santa Monica Boulevard
Los Angeles, California

My dear Mr. Howard:

You asked us to remind you each year of your promise to contribute $125.00 annually to Bethune-Cookman College, for maintenance needs.

We are very happy to send you this letter as a reminder of your promise, and to assure you that it will meet a great need in our current budget. We are putting forth every possible effort to secure $135,000 in permanent endowment funds but until this amount is a reality we must have funds to meet everyday maintenance needs.

We shall appreciate your consideration of us [illegible] time.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

March 31, 1939.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mrs. Thomas Fleming, Jr.
Quinta Querida
1541 Lombardy Road
Padadena, California

My dear Mrs. Fleming:

Last year, when I met you in California and told you of our work in Bethune-Cookman College you gave me great encouragement by your interest and gave us great help by your generous donation of one hundred dollars. This gift came at a most opportune time for we were then, as we are now, trying to meet urgent maintenance needs.

You will be interested to know that we have launched a special campaign for endowment funds, in the hope of securing $135,000 during 1939 and bringing the figure of our endowment to $200,000. This amount is required of Junior Colleges as a minimum for "A" rating by the Southern Association of Colleges. We must receive their rating, if we would continue our work effectively.

It would mean so much to us, Mrs. Fleming, if you could help us again this year. Until we can actually secure endowment funds and invest them, the problem of daily maintenance is still acute. We need your help so badly.

Hundreds of our boys and girls are at work in the rural districts of Florida, helping to raise the standard of living among our poorest people, helping them to become better citizens. Every dollar invested in Bethune-Cookman is a direct contribution to this service.

I hope that you are well and all goes well with you. May God continue to bless you for your great help to us and to others.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 31, 1939.

Miss Elisabeth W. Frothingham
Wilson Park
Tarrytown, New York

My dear Miss Frothingham:

You will be interested to know that we have launched a special Campaign for endowment funds, in the hope of securing $135,000 this year and bringing our permanent endowment figure to $200,000. This amount is required of Junior Colleges that are not state-supported, by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. We must receive their standard "A" rating in order to continue our work effectively.

Even though this pressing need for endowment is before us, we must meet the urgent needs of daily maintenance. I am earnestly requesting the friends who have stood by us during the years, in meeting these maintenance needs, to continue to do so. Our hope of securing large permanent funds from philanthropic agencies is dependent upon our closing the year without a maintenance deficit. I find that we must secure $8,000 for maintenance this year, over and above the assured from students, by the end of the year.

I hope, my dear friend, that you will be as thoughtful and as generous as possible with us this Spring. We need your help so badly. Think and know that every dollar you have invested in us so far has brought such wonderful returns. All that you may do now or in the future will strengthen the work that has been brought to this point.

I hope that you are well and that all continues to go well with you. May God bless you for your great help to us and to others.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Donors

March 31, 1939.

Mr. Edmund Eckart,
Postoffice Box 3116,
Peninsula Station,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mr. Eckart:

In the spring of last year you were kind enough to receive our representative and permit her to tell you something of the work of Bethune-Cookman. Within a few days you sent us a generous check to help with maintenance needs.

We are soliciting your continued interest and help, Mr. Eckart. We have launched a special Drive for permanent endowment funds, in order that more assured funds may come into the school annually and we may thus meet the standard requirements of the Southern Association of Colleges. Until this endowment is a reality, however, we must depend upon those friends whose interest and confidence have been expressed in gifts in the past, to help us now.

We must fine eight thousand dollars, over and above students' fees, to close this fiscal year without a definit. If you will be kind enough to help us with a donation, as you did last year, we will be most grateful.

Every dollar invested by friends in Bethune-Cookman College has brought wonderful returns in the lives and service of our students.

May we hear from you?

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

March 31, 1939.

Miss H. H. White,
C/o W. A. and A. M. White,
14 Wall Street,
New York City.

My dear Friend:

It meant so much to us to have such a pleasant little visit from you. I hope that you were favorably impressed with the school and that you feel that your interest and confidence in us, over this long period of years, has brought splendid fruits. I wished, when you were here, that we might show you not only the physical plant of the school and the various departments, but also the wonderful work of our graduates in the rural districts of Florida. They are doing such great good, helping to raise the standards of living among our people, helping them to become self-reliant and industrious and better citizens in every way.

Last spring you very kind enough to send us a generous contribution toward maintenance needs. We hope that you will help us again this year and increase this contribution, if possible. We must secure eight thousand dollars to close this year without a deficit. Every effort is being put forth to reach this goal, for our future permanent endowment depends so largely upon the record of annual maintenance.

Just know, my dear friend, that every dollar you have invested here has brought great returns in life and service.

I pray that you are well and that your visit in Florida was most beneficial.

May we hear from you?

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 31, 1939.

Mrs. Herbert Dupuy
624 Morewood Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

My dear Friend:

You will be interested to know that we have launched a special campaign for endowment funds, in the hope of securing $135,000 during 1939 and bringing the figure of our endowment to $200,000. This amount is required of Junior Colleges as a minimum for "A" rating by the Southern Association of Colleges. We must receive their rating, if we would continue our work effectively.

Even though this pressing need must be met, we must also meet daily maintenance needs until endowment funds are in hand.

I am earnestly requesting you, Mrs. Dupuy, as one of our close friends of the years, to continue your interest and confidence in us and help us as generously as possible. We must close this year without a deficit. Each spring and fall, for many years, you have sent us generous donations. I am asking you to send us one at this time, and if possible, to increase the amount - realizing our pressing need. We need your help so badly.

Hundreds of our boys and girls are at work in the rural districts of Florida, helping to raise the standard of living among our poorest people, helping them to become better citizens. Every dollar you have invested here has been a contribution to this service.

I hope that you are well and that all continues to go well with you. May God continue to bless you for your great help to us and to others.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 31, 1939.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Dr. J. S. Clark,
Southern University,
Scotlandville, Louisiana.

My dear Dr. Clark:

I just want to thank you for your generous and thoughtful consideration of me in the matter of flowers. Your check for ten dollars has been received and applied to this item. I just want to assure you that I enjoyed wearing the beautiful orchid at the Testimonial Banquet, and the spring blooms used for decoration, the expense of which was covered by your gift.

Bless you for this thought.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 3, 1939.

Mrs. Ada M. Lee, President,
The Mary McLeod Bethune Circle,
2104 Lee Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Lee:

May we express our deep gratitude to each member of the Mary McLeod Bethune Circle, for the generous contribution of one hundred dollars ($100) designated to apply on the purchase of an electric range for our Domestic Science Department. This gift brings encouragement to our efforts as well as great and much-needed help to the Domestic Science Department. They have needed a stove in that Department for many years.

Just as soon as the members of the Advisory Board meet and consider the bids for the range we will be able to let you know the exact cost. It will mean so much to us if the Circle will take care of the expense of this much-needed equipment.

We cannot tell you just what it means to have the friendship and confidence of your group. Every dollar you have invested and are investing in Bethune-Cookman is bringing great dividends in the lives and service of these boys and girls. We are now in the midst of a quiet but intensive Drive for endowment funds. Our hopes for securing the endowment needed to meet the requirements of the Southern Association of Colleges are based upon our hope of closing this year without a maintenance deficit. You will see, therefore, that your gift to the Domestic Science department brings great relief at a most opportune time.

We are so grateful also for your gift of silver to the Domestic Science Department, which is being used to great advantage in training the girls.

With best wishes,

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Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-m

April 3, 1939.

Mrs. Ada M. Lee,
2104 Lee Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Lee:

We are sending a letter of acknowledgment and gratitude to the Circle for the generous donation of silver to the Domestic Science Department, and one hundred dollars toward the purchase of a stove for the Domestic Science Department.

I am just sending this personal note, in reply to your letters of April 1st and 2nd.

First of all, may I say that your idea of erecting a Cabin clubhouse as a monument to Mrs. Bethune is a fine one, but I do not think it can be successfully worked out at this time. We are right in the midst of the endowment campaign for $135,000. This not only of first importance, but immediate. The "A" rating by the Southern Association cannot be secured until our endowment figure reaches $200,000. We are circularizing the "world" for gifts to endowment. The very people to whom we would appeal for gifts toward a monument would be the very people upon whom we would be depending for endowment help. The lines would be crossed and the success of the endowment campaign is dependent upon absolute concentration upon this one great objective. I dont know what Mrs. Bethune's reaction will be, but I think no greater monument can be erected to her than the permanency of the school founded by her. The Circle has the particular interest of the Domestic Science department, and their help there is very much needed. Please be assured that if you would expand your interests, I would definitely suggest endowment.

I am sending one of our endowment appeals to Dr. I. E. Williams. We sent out letters of acknowledgment for reservations of friends who could not be present at the Banquet. We [illegible] in these letters that the endowment fund had been launched and gifts were being solicited. We just started "asking people" for money - except for the appeal at the Banquet - on Saturday. We are glad to ask Dr. Williams. Thanks for this "tip".

I dont know what decision will be made about the stove - that is, the purchase price of it. The ladies did state that they would pay for the stove and cable, but that was before the receipt of your gift. It would be a very fine thing and of greatest help to the school if the Circle could take care of the stove purchase and then the Advisory Board could, after they pay for the cable, help a little more on maintenance. At any rate, we would request them to do so. We need money so badly, you know, for everyday running. All of this, however, will be decided in the Board.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell.

April 3, 1939.

Dr. William J. Hutchins,
Berea College, Kentucky.

My dear Dr. Hutchins:

We are so grateful for your continued interest and friendship and for the way you have expressed them through gifts for all of these years.

You will be interested to know that we are in the midst of a quiet but intensive campaign for much-needed endowment funds. We cannot receive an "A" rating from the Southern Association of Colleges until we have the $200,000 endowment required for Junior Colleges. I know that you will use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

We are deeply grateful for your gift of $15.00, just received. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Please know that every dollar you have invested in our institution has brought marvellous returns in the lives of these boys and girls.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

April 4, 1939

The Trustees of
Talladega College
Talladega, Alabama

Dear Friends:

May I express my appreciation for the invitation to attend the Dedication of Savery Library and the Celebration of The Amistad Centennial. I regret exceedingly my inability to be present on that date.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

April 4, 1939

Mr. William Pizer
Grimsley, Ontario

My dear Mr. Pizer:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your gift of $1.00 and for the kind and encouraging words of our work.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know, Mr. Pizer, that we are grateful for your contribution, and for your thought of us. This amount aids us greatly in meeting our daily maintenance needs.

Please continue to keep us in mind and tell your friends about our Institution. We are putting forth strenuous efforts to raise much-needed endowment funds, in order that we may be rated as a standard "A" Junior College by the Southern Association of Colleges. Even though this pressing need is before us, we must meet the demands of daily maintenance.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 4, 1939

Miss Annie S. Foster
1219 C. Street
Sacramento, California

My dear Miss Foster:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

April 4, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mr. Thomas G. Laster
University of Minnesota
P. O. Box 11607
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Laster:

May we thank you for your letter of March 8, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 4, 1939

Miss Etta Julia Rowe
2024 Sumter Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Miss Rowe:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

April 4, 1939

Miss Mynna Ruth Hall
3130 Wilcox Street
Toledo, Ohio

Dear Miss Hall:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position of the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune,

mmb-ejt

April 4, 1939

Mr. C. L. Carter, Dean
Campbell College
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Carter:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filling your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

April 4, 1939

Miss F. L. Walker
1089 Union Avenue
Bronx, New York

Dear Miss Walker:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

April 4, 1939

Miss L[illegible] S. Green
61 Gorham Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dear Miss Green:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 5, 1939.

Mr. [illegible]. J. Moses,
President, The Strathmore Paper Co.,
West Springfield, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Moses:

For many years you have been kind enough to direct the gift of a large consignment of paper from your company to our Institution. We have been able to use every piece to the greatest advantage.

You will be interested to know that this work has made great progress during the thirty-five years of its existence. We now have a plant valued at three-quarters of a million dollars, a splendid teaching staff and a curriculum designed to train students in head, hand and heart for most effective service to their fellowmen.

We are in the midst of a quiet but intensive campaign for endowment funds, for we must raise $135,000 for endowment, to bring the permanent endowment figure to $200,000, during 1939. This amount is required as a minimum by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, for standard junior colleges.

Our greatest hope of securing endowment is based upon the hope of closing the year without a maintenance deficit. We must raise approximately $8,000, over and above funds from students, to close the year. Being assured of your interest, Mr. Moses, I am writing you for a donation toward this maintenance fund. Your gift will bring encouragement to our efforts as well as help to the budget.

I know you will help me if you can.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

April 5, 1939.

Mr. William I. Frothingham,
14 Wall Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Frothingham:

I am sure you will be interested to know that our work continues to go forward. We are so grateful to the friends of the years for the way they have stood by us and helped us to bring the work to this point. You have been so interested and helpful during these years.

Miss Harriet White visited us a few weeks ago. We were so happy to show her the school and assure her in this way that her investments have brought wonderful dividends.

We are in the midst of a quiet but intensive campaign for securing endowment funds. The requirement of the Southern Association of Colleges and secondary schools is for $200,000 in endowment, if a Junior College is not state-supported. With the endowment funds we have in hand, we must raise, during 1939, $135,000. Some of our Negro trustees and friends launched this campaign on March 17th and raised $2600 toward this amount.

We find that we must secure about $8000 to close this fiscal year without a deficit. Our real hope of securing the endowment funds needed this year is based upon our hope of closing the year without a maintenance deficit.

Please continue thoughtful of us, Mr. Frothingham. We need your friendship and the use of your influence. We feel that the first consideration before us is to make permanent, through adequate endowment, the work that we have brought to this point.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

April 6, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mrs. Low V. Hill
305 Murray Avenue
New Smyrna Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Hill:

May we express our gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We cannot tell you how much encouragement this brings to us at this time.

We enclose official receipt for your contribution. Please know, Mrs. Hill, that we are grateful for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We request your continued interest and the use of your influence whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

April 6, 1939.

Little, Brown and Company,
Boston, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I have a very valuable little book - "Sunlit Days" by Florence Hobart Perin - that is published by your company. I would like to secure three additional copies of this book for my friends, as soon as you can send them.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

April 6, 1939.

Dr. Turner,
Hampton Institute,
Hampton, Virginia.

My dear Dr. Turner:

I wish very much that you would consult some of the truck drivers who are carrying oranges through that section and arrange to have one bring the kiln down to us. We will be glad to pay the transportation. We shall be so happy to receive this kiln.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

April 6, 1939

Mrs. Emma R. Perry,
Postoffice Box 43,
Melbourne, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Perry:

In reply to your letter of March 26th, may I refer you to Miss Eartha M. M. White, 611 West Ashley Street, Jacksonville, Florida, and to the East Coast Orphanage, Cypress Street, Daytona Beach, Florida.

I hope that you may be able to get the information and service you desire from one of these sources.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 6, 1936.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Rev. A. L. Pierce,
309 Emmett Street,
Schenectady, New York.

My dear Rev. Pierce:

Your letter of March 11, addressed to the Faculty Board of Bethune-Cookman College, was miscarried, [illegible] the address, and has just come to my attention.

Zero Webb and Mrs. Webb were here some years ago. He was on our publicity staff, although he did not remain with us for the year. He seemed to have ability but his lack of integrity in his personal affairs, bills, and dealings with students was such that we could not keep him here. After he left, we found that this was his general reputation in every place he had been. It was such a great pity, too, for the young man had ability. We did not know Mrs. Webb very well, for she was not a member of the staff. Webb did not work here for several years, but only for a few months.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 7, 1939

Mrs. Lucy H. Ward
East Arlington, Vermont

My dear Mrs. Ward:

May I thank you for your very interesting letter of March 27th. I am indeed happy to know that you were able to keep up during the past year, and did not have to go to bed. I do pray that the Lord will continue to give you your health and strength.

You are very fortunate to have your niece and her husband there with you. I know they will do every thing possible to make you confortable and happy.

I have been getting along fine this winter. I have spent two full months here at the College. We have had very inspiring community meetings. I do wish, Mrs. Ward, that you could be here with us.

Yes, the pictures taken at the Bazaar when you were here have been finished. We have showed them in several cities and states.

We are putting forth strenuous efforts now to raise much-needed endowment funds for Bethune-Cookman College, in order that we may be rated as a standard "A" Junior College by the Southern Association of Colleges. We must have a permanent endowment amounting to $200,000. We must secure $135,000, to add to the endowment now in hand, in order to reach this figure. We are earnestly requesting the friends who have helped us in the past, to help us now. Please pray for us and tell your friends about our Institution.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 7, 1939

Mrs. Hazel Lee
2758 Eighth Avenue
New York City

Dear Mrs. Lee:

We have your letter of April third relative to your daughter entering Bethune-Cookman College. We do not accept ten year-old students and students who have not completed their high school work.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

April 7, 1939.

Mr. Graham Aldis,
53 West Jackson Boulevard,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mr. Aldis:

We are deeply grateful to you for your continued interest in our work, for the friendship you have given to us for so many years.

Your contribution of ten dollars is so gratefully received. We enclose official receipt for it. This aid, in response to our expression of need at this time, brings so much encouragement to me.

Bless you, Mr. Aldis, for all you have done for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

April 7, 1939.

Mr. E. S. Hope, Superintendent of
Buildings and Grounds,
Howard University,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hope:

Your letter, enclosing forms for reporting on personnel administration of Bethune-Cookman College, have been received.

May I assure you that this material will be in your hands by April 15.

I feel, as you do, that this is a vitally important phase of educational work that should be studied at this time.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

April 7, 1939

Miss Dorothea M. Hawkins, Chairman
Program Committee
3 John Street
North Brentwood, Maryland

Dear Miss Hawkins:

May I express my appreciation for the invitation to speak at the Mass Meeting of the County-Wide Federation on April 16, 1939. I regret, more than words can express, that I cannot accept the invitation. I am scheduled to be in Kansas City on that date.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 7, 1939

Miss Fannie B. Pilkinton
Howard University
Truth Hall
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Pilkinton:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 7, 1939

Miss Demerius L. Lewis
712 E. Market Street
Xenia, Ohio

Dear Miss Lewis:

May we thank you for your letter of April 1, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your application, and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 7, 1939

Mr. Warren B. Griffin, Jr.
1917 Third Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Griffin:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 7, 1939

Mr. E. E. Reed
234 East Second Street
Lexington, Kentucky

Dear Mr. Reed:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 7, 1939

Miss Velma N. King
Gammon Theological Seminary
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss King:

May we thank you for your letter of March 9, making application fpr a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have a vacancy on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualification and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 7, 1939

Mr. William H. Jones, Jr.
670th Co. CCC
Camp Bitely F-22(Michigan)
Bitely, Michigan

Dear Mr. Jones:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualifed to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 7, 1939

Mr. William E. Harrison
202 E. Spring Street
Columbus, Ohio

My dear Mr. Harrison:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur un the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 7, 1939

Miss Guinevere Bernice Derrick
1852 Second Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Derrick:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 7, 1939.

Miss Arnena E. West
Box 416
Tuskegee Institute,
Alabama.

My dear Miss West:

We are very much interested in the statement of your qualifications - in training and experience - as a teacher of Home Economics.

We will have no vacancy in this field in our summer session. However, we will need a good worker in this field for the regular session. If you know of a person with the type of qualifications that you possess, who is seeking employment in this field, I should appreciate your having her write to me.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 7, 1939.

Miss Lenora Shanedling
1035 Grandview
Boulder, Colorado

Dear Miss Shanedling:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 7, 1939

Miss Flora Odessa Freeman
211 W. Canto Street
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Miss Freeman:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 7, 1939

Mr. Willie L. Harris,
622 I Street
Sparrows Point, Maryland

Dear Mr. Harris:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Rias!
Dawn

April 7, 1939.

Mrs. Warren E. Brown,
C/o First Methodist Church,
Portland, Michigan.

My dear Mrs. Brown:

May we thank you and Rev. Brown for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College. I am so sorry that I did not have the opportunity of meeting you when you visited us. I feel, however, that you will use your influence in our behalf in that section. We need new friends to speak for us and to help us carry forward our work.

I am enclosing a short resume of my life which will give you some idea of the way the school was started. I hope that this will serve your purpose. I am sure you received some descriptive literature of the school when you were here.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

P. S. Please note, and think about the need as indicated in the enclosed letter.

M. M. B.

April 7, 1939.

Mr. J. Ernest Millen,
Treasurer of the Benevolent Fund,
The Tourist Church,
Wild Olive at Oakridge,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mr. Millen:

May we express our deep gratitude to the Board of Deacons of the Tourist Church, for the generous donation of $20.00 to the general maintenance of our Institution. We enclose official receipt for this gift.

For many years the Tourist Church and its membership have been so generous in their interest in our work. Their contributions of advice, influence, help in our public efforts, opportunities for our young people and material aid toward our budget, have [illegible] much to the progress of the school.

Please convey our expressions of appreciation to the Board of Deacons, to Dr. Tullis and the entire congregation.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 11, 1939.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
The Board of Education of
The Methodist Episcopal Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Holmes:

May we acknowledge, with gratitude, the receipt of your check for $10.07, representing an "Additional Support" gift to our Institution from Andrews Church, Brooklyn, New York. This amount has been credited to Lincoln Day receipts.

We are writing to the pastor and congregation of Andrews Church, thanking them for this help. We enclose official receipt for your record.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Acting President.

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April 11, 1939

Miss Harriet B. Lawson
767 Alcatraz Avenue
Oakland, California

Dear Miss Lawson:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date making application for a position as Librarian on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

At the present, we do not anticipate a vacancy in our library for the coming year. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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April 11, 1939

Miss Pearle Scott
3311 East 128th Street
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Scott:

May we thank you for your letter of April 3, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 11, 1939

Miss Dorothy M. Eller
167 West Springfield Street
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Miss Eller:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 11th, 1939

Mr. Reginald F. Green
150 West 131st Street
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Green:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We have an Art Department, but we do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 11, 1939

Mr. O. E. Yokley
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Yokley:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

April 11, 1939.

Mr. Homer P. Clark,
West Publishing Company,
Saint Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Mr. Clark,

How good you are to us! I cannot express to you how much your friendship and confidence have meant to us through all of these years of struggle and building.

Bless you for your generous contribution of one hundred dollars, sent in answer to our recent appeal. This brings such relief to me at this time.

We are approaching the close of another academic year. Commencement will be held on May 30th and more young people will be sent out for service to their fellowmen. We will then start planning and preparing for the work of another year. Every friend who has invested in this work should feel very satisfied over the returns which have come from the investment here.

Please be assured of our gratitude for your help. We enclose receipt for your contribution.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 12, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Liebmans Specialty Shop
110 N. Beach Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

Attention of the Manager

Dear Sir:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to our Student-Teacher Rally.

We enclose official receipt for this amount.

May we solicit your continued interest and confidence in our program.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 12, 1939

Huberts Drug Company
314 Second Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Attention of the Manager

Dear Sir:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your contribution of $2.50 to our Student-Teacher Rally.

We enclose official receipt for this amount.

May we solicit your continued interest and confidence in our program.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 17, 1939.

Mr. William I. Frothingham
40 Wall Street
New York City

My dear friend:

I can never tell you what encouragement, relief and gratitude have filled my heart upon receipt of your letters, enclosing the generous checks of Miss Harriet H. White and Miss Elisabeth W. Frothingham. Oh, what these friends mean to us! They have stood so closely by us during all of these years.

I am writing to them direct, and sending the receipts for their contributions. I just want you to be assured of our deep appreciation, for theu use of your influence in our behalf.

God bless you, my friend.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 17, 1939.

Mrs. William H. Moore,
4 East 54th Street,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Moore:

I enclose receipt from our Endowment Fund treasurer, for your contribution of one-hundred dollars. Bless you, dear friend, for this gift. It is so heartening to us in our efforts to secure permanent funds.

I hope that we may hear from you also, in response to my appeal for general maintenance funds.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

April 17, 1939.

Mr. F. R. Lampkin, Supervisor,
Columbus Colored Schools,
Spencer High School,
Columbus, Georgia.

Dear Mr. Lampkin:

First of all, may I apologize for the delay in replying to your kind letter of March 13th. My hands have been overfull and I have been traveling so much that much of my correspondence has piled up.

I sincerely regret that it will be impossible for me to deliver your commencement address on Friday, June 2nd. I will not be in the South in June. I shall have to come to Florida for my own commencement on May 30th, but must rush right back to Washington, for important work there.

May I wish for you and your group the greatest success in your closing.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 17, 1939.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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President J. B. Watson,
Agricultural and Normal College,

Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

My dear Friend:

It is so good of you to share in this effort to raise endowment funds for Bethune-Cookman College. I smiled when I read the first paragraph of your note.

Bless you for your contribution of ten dollars to the Endowment Fund. All of these gifts are heartening to us as we put forth valiant efforts to make the work permanent. We enclose receipt for your donation, which has been turned over to us by the Treasurer of the Endowment Fund.

With best wishes for the continued success of your work, I am

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

April 17, 1939.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Miss Harriet H. White
2 Pierrepont Place
Brooklyn, New York

My dear, dear Friend:

May God abundantly bless you for your generosity and goodness to us. You know just what it has meant in the building of this school.

Tears of gratitude came to my eyes upon the receipt of your gift of $1,000 to Endowment and $350 to general maintenance. These gifts bring such relief, such encouragement to our efforts. Surely, my dear friend, you must realize that your investments in these human lives will bring returns to hundreds of thousands of Negro people.

Again, may I just say - "God bless my friends."

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 18, 1939.

Mrs. Alma Wynns Bennett
1263 Steele Court
Jacksonville, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bennett:

When Mrs. Bethune was here in March, she discussed the possibility of again having the Practice School on our campus and the work of re-building McLeod Hall, for this work, is now going forward.

It was for this reason that Mrs. Bethune did not write you relative to the College Park vacancy. If you will be available to consider a position in the Practice School here next year, please send a note to Mrs. Bethune here.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Secretary.

P. S. Mrs. Bethune will write you in detail, upon her return to the College in May.

April 18, 1939.

Miss Thyra Edwards,
Negro Peoples Committee,
381 Fourth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Miss Edwards,

On behalf of the Endowment Committee, we wish to thank you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College. It is heartening to receive your pledge of $10.00, of which $5.00 was paid in cash. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

The Endowment Committee is greatly encouraged over the success of the Drive up to this point. We are now trying to get one thousand friends to contribute one hundred dollars each, by July 10th. I know that you will use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

With best wishes for the continued success of your great work, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Dawson

April 19, 1939.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Mrs. W. W. Gist
111 South Newport Avenue
Tampa, Florida

My dear Mrs. Gist:

We are so grateful for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and your confidence in the program we are attempting to foster here. Your contribution of five dollars brings so much encouragement and help to our campaign. We know that you would be responsible for one hundred dollars, if it were possible. Just know, however, that this gift you have sent will be invested to the greatest advantage and will be the means of helping train other boys and girls.

We enclose official receipt from our Endowment treasurer. Bless you for it - and for your friendship and good-will.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

April 19, 1939.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Mrs. S. D. Foster,
Box 111,
Lakeside, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Foster:

It is so good of you to respond to our appeal for endowment. I just want you to know, dear friend, that we value your interest and your contribution of five dollars. They mean just as much to us, in the encouragement of our efforts, as a larger donation would mean.

We are so happy to know of your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College. For all of these years we have been struggling to build the Institution. Friends have given generously of their aid to help us build. They are not giving generously to help us make our school permanent.

God bless you for your help.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

April 19, 1939.

Mrs. Frank W. Forbes
12 High Street
Westborough, Massachusetts

My dear Mrs. Forbes:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your continued warm interest in our Institution. For so many years you have stood loyally by us and have shown your friendship and confidence by your annual donations. Yours has been a great share in the building of this work. May God continue to bless you, my friend.

We enclose official receipt for your recent donation of twenty-five dollars. I cannot tell you how much it meant to us to receive this gift. Please know always that every dollar you are investing in helping these boys and girls is an investment in better citizenship and service.

With sincere good wishes, I am

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Evans

April 19, 1939.

Mr. Joseph H. B. Evans
101 S Street, Northwest
Washington - D C

Dear Mr. Evans:

We are so grateful to you for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College. Your contribution of five dollars, received a few days ago, brings encouragement as well as help to us. We enclose official receipt for this donation.

Please continue thoughtful of us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever you can.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 19, 1939.

Miss Helen C. Robertson
50 Stimson Avenue
Providence, Rhode Island

My dear Friend:

It is so good of you to respond to our appeal for endowment funds. Your contribution of twenty-five dollars brings us so mucen encouragement, as well as help. It is a symbol of your good-will and your confidence in our efforts. God bless you for it!

We know that you would send one hundred dollars, it if were possible. We know also that your interest will prompt the use of your influence in our behalf whenever it is possible.

We enclose official receipt for your gift and send it with our expressions of warmest appreciation.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 19, 1939.

Mrs. Harriet S. Broome
438 North Grandview Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Broome:

We are so grateful for your kind letter of April 18th, and for your generous contribution of twenty dollars to the maintenance budget of our Institution. Bless you for this help. It brings so much relief and encouragement to us at this time. It is so good of you to make this donation in memory of your dear son.

We pray that the interest that has been aroused in your heart may grow as you know us better. When you come to Daytona Beach next year, please come to the Spring Fete and to the Sunday afternoon Community meetings. Just know that we need friends like you at all times.

We enclose official receipt for your gift. Just know that this investment will bring wonderful returns in the lives of these boys and girls.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 19, 1939

Miss Louise M. Jones
626 Bridge Street
Murphysboro, Illinois

Dear Miss Jones:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 19, 1939

Miss Evna L. Penn
North Carolina College
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Miss Penn:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on [illegible] staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 19, 1939

Miss Minnie J. Hall
State Teachers College
Cheyney, Pennsylvania

Dear Miss Hall:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 19, 1939.

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Miss N. D. Lennon
Selma University
Selma, Alabama

Dear Miss Lennon:

May we thank you for your subscription to "The Advocate," sent to the college through our Mr. Lucas. This money order has been turned over to the office, and the amount entered. We enclose receipt for it.

"The Advocate" has not been issued regularly this year, but we are entering your subscription for the next fiscal year, beginning with the June-July issue. We are enclosing copies of those issues of this year, together with other literature descriptive of our work here.

With sincere appreciation for your interest and with very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

April 19, 1939.

Mrs. Samuel G. Colt
Colt Road
Pittsfield, Massachusetts

My dear Mrs. Colt:

I cannot tell you how much encouragement we have received from your gift of one hundred dollars to our Endowment fund campaign. It is so like you to recognize this need as being urgent and to help us in this way. God bless you, my friend.

We enclose receipt from our Endowment fund treasurer. May we assure you, Mrs. Colt, that this contribution to the permancy of this Institution will bring dividends of untold value on your investment. You have been close to our work during these years of building and it is fitting that you should have this share in making the building permanent.

With sincere good wishes, I am

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 19, 1939.

Mrs. Lea McI. Luquer,
Kittle House,
Lawrence Farms,
Mount Kisco, New York.

My dear, dear Friend:

It has been a long time since we have written you or heard from you. I have known, however, that you had us in mind and would not forget our maintenance needs during the spring.

This has been a very busy year. We are now in the midst of a revived campaign for securing endowment funds. We find, upon the receipt of information from the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, that we must have at least $200,000 endowment before we can receive the standard "A" rating as a Junior College. We need $135,000 to reach this goal, and we have been trying, in a quiet but intensive way, to secure endowment funds. Our hope of getting large sums from the Foundations and Boards is dependent upon our closing the year without a deficit. You will understand, therefore, that we have had to keep maintenance expense down to a minimum, even while we are trying to raise endowment funds. I have spent more time at the college this year than last year. The work has gone forward satisfactorily and with the exception of these financial needs, we are much encouraged.

Some of the Negro members of the Trustee Board gave a fine boost to endowment in March. They held a Testimonial Banquet in my honor on March 17th, and with the large number of Negro people present, threw out the challenge of endowment to our own people. They responded wonderfully, contributing twenty-one hundred dollars in cash and pledges that night.

Bless you for your continued interest and confidence. You know just what your gift of one hundred twenty five dollars means to us at this time. We enclose receipt for this amount.

I am so happy to know that you are well. I hardly know what to say about the grandchildren. Just think - three boys and five girls! How fortunate you are.

Please continue thoughtful of us, my dear friend. You have stood by us so closely during the years, and we need your friendship now as much as ever. Just know that every dollar of the hundreds that you have invested here is bringing wonderful returns.

Mrs. Luquer,
Mount Kisco, New York.

April 19, 1939.

Maude Ella is teaching in the public school here and giving a splendid day's work. She has two fine little children and seems happy in her domestic life.

With best wishes always,

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

April 19, 1939.

Mr. H. W. Cutler
North Wilbraham,
Massachusetts.

My dear, dear Friend:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your continued warm interest in our Institution. For so many years you have stood loyally by us and shown your friendship and confidence by your annual donations. Yours has been a great share in the building of this work. May God bless you, my ddar friend.

We enclose official receipt for your recent donation of twenty-five dollars. I cannot tell you what it meant to receive this gift. Please know always that every dollar you are investing is helping our boys and girls to better citizenship.

With sincere good wishes, I am

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 19, 1939.

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Miss Jessie Veeder
Ambassador, East
Chicago, Illinois

My dear, dear Friend:

I cannot tell you how much encouragement I have received from your good letter of April 15th, and from your generous gift to the Endowment Fund. It is so like you to make even a sacrifice that this gift might come to us. God bless you, my friend.

We enclose receipt from our Endowment Fund treasurer and wish to assure you that every dollar of this gift will bring wonderful returns in the lives of these Negro boys and girls. You have been so close to our work for all of these years and you are familiar with our growth. Just know, dear friend, that by making this contribution to endowment you are insuring the permanency of all of our efforts up to this period.

With best wishes, I am

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 19, 1939

Mrs. Stuart Sims, Secretary
Library Committee of the
National Spiritual Assembly
Leroy Apartments
Red Bank, New Jersey

Dear Mrs. Sims:

Thanks for your letter of April 10th, offering us a set of Baha'i books for the shelves of our library. We shall be so happy to receive these valuable books for our library.

We are indeed grateful to Mrs. Davis for her thought of us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 19, 1939

Miss R. T. Weddington
Truth Hall
Howard University
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Weddington:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application, and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 19, 1939

Miss Thelma B. Brown
Box 303
Adel, Georgia

Dear Miss Brown:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 19, 1939

Mr. O. C. Saulter
Box No. 8
Westover, Maryland

Dear Mr. Saulter:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your letter and should a vacancy ocqur, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 19, 1939

Miss Mabel Fountz
St. Catherines Hospital
Santa Monica, California

Dear Miss Fountz:

May we thank you for your letter of April 12, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 19, 1939

Mr. Alvin J. Downing
Florida A. & M. College
Tallahassee, Florida

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Dear Mr. Downing:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 19, 1939

Mr. J. Hewlett
225-15 Avenue, North
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Hawlett:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 20, 1939.

Mr. Albert Dixon
Wilberforce University
Wilberforce, Ohio

My dear Dixon:

Thank you very much for your letter of March 13th. It was received at my Washington office during the period I was spending at the College, and was forwarded here after I had returned to Washington. Hence, the delay in sending a reply.

I am so happy to know that you are getting along well in Wilberforce and that you will complete your work there this year. Please let me know just what courses you have taken, what your major subjects are. We will be happy to consider your qualifications in the light of possible service in Bethune-Cookman College or in the National Youth Administration. Send applications to other Institutions also, for I cannot determine whether or not there will be vacancies in the agencies in which I am most interested.

We are pleased to know that you have served as president of the Commercial Club. These experiences in leadership are very valuable and will be of great help to you as you go forward with your work in the future.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Spring Fete

April 20, 1939.

Mrs. R. A. Worthington
Seabreeze Station
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Worthington:

No doubt you have received a note from our Women's Advisory Board, thanking you for your share in the expense of their "Spring Fete" held in February. I just want to send this note of personal gratitude for your continued interest in our work, and for your help in this significant event in our spring calendar. The Fete not only brings in muchneeded funds for our maintenance budget, but also makes many new friends for our work.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

April 21, 1939.

Mrs. F. Kingsbury Curtis,
129 East 69th Street,
New York, New York.

My dear, dear Friend:

I cannot tell you how much encouragement, as well as help, your continued friendship and confidence mean to our work and to me. For so many years you have manifested your interest though a generous share of material help toward our maintenance. God bless you, my friend.

Your check for twenty-five dollars, receipt for which is enclosed, is gratefully received. Please know that it will bring the returns of an unusual investment, in the lives of our boys and girls. Every dollar that you have sent to us, over all of these years of struggle, have nobly served this purpose.

We pray that you continue well and that our Father's richest blessings are yours.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

April 21, 1939.

Mrs. Della B. Haynes,
Bay Shore, New York.

My dear Mrs. Haynes:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College, as indicated by your donation of five dollars to maintenance. This gift brings encouragement as well as help to us and we are so grateful for it. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We hope that your interest in us may continue.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 21, 1939.

Mrs. A. D. Decker,
6 Snow Avenue,
Binghamton, New York.

My dear Mrs. Decker:

We are deeply grateful for your letter of April 12th, but so sad to hear of the passing of Rev. Decker, who was such a staunch friend of our Institution.

For many years he stood so closely by our work, contributing generously of his interest, his confidence and his means. This Cause, as well as many others, will greatly miss him.

I know how lonely you have found life without this dear companion of the years. These hardships, however, do not last long for true Christians. Our Faith in His promises always sustains us and heals the wounds of grief. May God bless you as you carry on the work of your husband.

Bethune-Cookman is proud to have had Dr. Decker as a friend and supporter, and proud that his interest is continued through you.

Please continue thoughtful of us. Speak a good word in our behalf whenever you can.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 21, 1939.

Mr. Walter Barker, Jr.
2937 West 29th Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

My dear Mr. Barker:

May I thank you for your full letter of April 18th.

I have sympathy and appreciation for your ambition for educational training. So many of our Negro boys and girls are pleading for opportunities for training and we feel that it is a great sign of progress of the race.

My suggestion to you, if you have no one to help pay your bills in college, is to work for a year and save your money, enter school and ask for part-time work while there and then, if necessary, come out and work another year, in order to secure funds to finance the following year. It will take twice as long for you to complete your college work, but this fact is not important. Your goal will be achieved and you will be better prepared to give service to your fellowmen.

We should be very happy to have you enter Bethune-Cookman College but this institution, like many others, cannot offer a student full expenses. Every student must pay some cash - his entrance fees and some part of his monthly charges. We are happy to offer part-time work or scholarship aid to help boys and girls, but we cannot do it all.

If, therefore, you feel it wise to accept my suggestion for working a year and going to school a year, I think this will be best. Have you ever tried to secure student aid in Tuskegee Institute or Hampton Institute? If not, write to the presidents of these Institutions and I am sure they will write you of some encouraging plan that you may follow.

Keep up your courage and know that you will reach your goal if are steadfast.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Donors

April 21, 1939.

Mrs. Maurice Hoopes,
1 Glen Street,
Glens Falls, New York.

My dear, dear Friend:

It means so much to us to have your continued interest and confidence. For all of these years you have stood so closely by us and have never failed to answer a call for help. God bless you, my friend.

Your contribution of fifty dollars is gratefully received. It brings relief and encouragement to us at this time. It is a further indication of your interest in the program we are trying to foster here. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We are putting forth every possible effort to close this year without a deficit, and the help of friends is doubly appreciated. Every dollar invested in the lives of these Negro boys and girls is bringing great returns in their service to their fellowmen.

Gratefully, sincerely,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

April 21, 1939.

Miss Helen E. Arrant,
Palmer Memorial Institute,
Sedalia, North Carolina.

My dear Miss Arrant:

On behalf of the Endowment Committee, may we express deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $2.50, recently received. We have marked your pledge paid, but will hold it on file for the complete record of the Fund. We enclose receipt from our Endowment treasurer.

We are greatly encouraged by the success which has attended our efforts so far, to raise much-needed endowment funds. We solicit your continued interest and the use of your influence in behalf of this need, whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell, Secretary.

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April 21, 1939.

Miss A. [illegible] Banks,
Acting Dean of Women,
Howard University,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Miss Banks:

On behalf of the Endowment Committee, may we exprers our deep gratitude to the Personnel Staff in the Women's Dormitories of Howard University, for their gift of $4.00 to the endowment campaign. This gift brings so much encouragement as well as help to this urgent need. We enclose receipt from our Endowment treasurer.

We are greatly encouraged by the success which has attended our efforts so far, to raise much-needed endowment funds. We solicit your continued interest and the use of your influence in behalf of this need.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell, Secretary.

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April 22, 1939

Miss Minnie Lourine Turner
1821 Allen Street
Dallas, Texas

Dear Miss Turner:

May we thank you for your letter of April 18, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 22, 1939

Mr. Bergin Hearld
Allock, Kentucky

Dear Mr. Hearld:

May we thank you for your letter of April 18, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 24, 1939

Mr. Robert Till
731 Tapan Avenue
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mr. Till:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 24, 1939

Miss Edna Mae Roberts
Shorter Hall
Wilberforce, Ohio

Dear Miss Roberts:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have a vacancy in our Commerce department at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 25, 1938.

Brooklyn Trust Company,
177 Montague Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

Trust Securities Department.
Attention - Mr. G. H. Thirkield

Dear Mr. Thirkield,

May we acknowledge, with gratitude, the receipt of your letter of April 21st, with enclosure of check for $200.00, representing a contribution from Miss H. H. White to our Institution.

We enclose your receipt number 469, properly executed. We are sending our official receipt to Miss White, with a letter of deep gratitude for this donation.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

April 26, 1939.

Mr. Verman Kimbrough, President,
Ringling School of Art,

Sarasota, Florida.

Dear Mr. Kimbrough:

May we express our deep gratitude to you and to your staff for your kindness and courtesy to the group of Bethune-Cookman College students and teachers who visited the Ringling School and Museum some days ago.

The entire group has expressed, in most enthusiastic terms, their pleasure and appreciation for this rare experience. The gentleman who took them through was so kind, so patient and so painstaking.

We thank each one of you for this kindness and extend to you a warm invitation to visit Bethune-Cookman College.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 26, 1939.

Mr. Norbert Georges, D. P.
General Director,
The Blessed Martin Guild,
141 East 65th Street,
New York City.

My dear Friend:

May I express deep gratitude for your personal and circular letters. I am so interested in the work of the Blessed Martin Guild and I shall appreciate any literature that you may be kind enough to send to me. One of my friends sent me a beautiful statuette of The Blessed Martin, which is placed at a vantage point in my office and gives me so much inspiration. Bless you all for making permanent in the consciousness of all people, the unselfish service of this great man.

Thank you also for your interest in our work here. The enclosed leaflets will give you somewhat of an idea of our program and of the struggles we have experienced. The task is so worth while, however. I wish that you might visit the school at some time and see, at first hand, what we are doing.

Blessings upon you and your service.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 26, 1939

Mr. R. M. Barnett,
Director of Personnel
and Business Management,
Social Security Board,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Barnett:

May I state, in reply to your enquiry of April 24th, that Mr. John A. Ross was connected with our staff as bookkeeper from August 1, 1938 to February 15, 1939. The duties of this office included the receiving and receipting of student accounts and all accounting of the school, filing of business papers and custody of cash receipts. Mr. Ross was paid a salary of one hundred twenty five dollars per month.

I regret to say that Mr. Ross' ability along the line of our work did not meet our expectations nor requirements. He is a pleasant young man, neat and good natured, but he did not give us satisfactory service and we were forced to replace him for the best interests of our Institution.

I should appreciate your treating these statements as confidential. In another situation Mr. Ross might be a very fine worker and we would not like to place any handicap in his way. I feel, however, that I must be frank with you in regard to his experience here.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Donors

April 26, 1939.

Mrs. Mary C. Hyde,
2206 F Street,
Omaha, Nebraska.

My dear Mrs. Hyde:

The box of books you so kindly sent to us has been received and we wish to express our deep gratitude to you for this additional evidence of your interest in our work.

The books are being sent to the Library and I am sure they will fill a real need there.

With best wishes,

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 27, 1939

Mr. Cornelius L. Henderson, Jr.
6119 - 30th Street
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Mr. Henderson:

May we thank you for your letter of April 22, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 27, 1939

Miss Minnie E. Johnson
215 Monroe Street
Brooklyn, New York

Dear Miss Johnson:

May we thank you for your letter of April 19, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

April 27, 1939

Rev. Z. D. Limbric
757 West Ashley Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Rev. Limbric:

May we thank you for your contribution of $3.00, Conference Collection, to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for this amount, and solicit your continued interest and confidence in our program.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 27, 1939

Mr. Douglas Tanner
1128 - 11th Street
Portsmouth, Ohio

Dear Mr. Tanner:

May I thank you for your letter of April 17, stating your need for employment. I wish very much that it was possible for me to place you, but I know of no opening to which I may refer you. I suggest that you write to the Bruster Hospital, Jacksonville, Florida.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 27, 1939

Mr. Normal C. Crosby
652 North Fourth Avenue
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mr. Crosby:

May we thank you for your letter of April 21, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should there be a vacancy in our history department for the coming year, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 27, 1939

Miss E. Harveyette McAllister
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss McAllister:

May we thank you for your letter of April 21, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

April 29, 1939.

Mr. William I. Frothingham,
40 Wall Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Frothingham:

Your letter contining the check for $750.00, donation of our dear friend, Miss Elisabeth W. Frothingham, has been held for my personal attention. Hence, the delay in sending this note of sincere appreciation.

I cannot tell you how much these gifts mean to us at this time. Because we are so greatly in need of maintenance funds we are dividing the donation - $350.00 to maintenance and $400.00 to Endowment, and enclose official receipts for these amounts.

I am sending Miss Frothingham a note of appreciation today. It means so much to have her continued confidence and help.

Bless you for the use of your influence in our behalf.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 29, 1939

Donors

Mr. E. [illegible] Warner
Bellevue, Ohio

Dear Mr. Warner:

The box of books you so kindly sent to us has been received and we wish to express our deep gratitude to you for this additional evidence of your interest in our work.

The books are being sent to the Library and I am sure they will fill a real need there.

With best wishes,

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General Correspondence (Outgoing) May-August 1939

MaMay 2, 1939

Mr. Alfred Stevenson
988 Macomb Street
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Mr. Stevenson:

May we thank you for your letter of April 27, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 3, 1939.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving W. Bonbright,
1 Wall Street,
New York City.

My dear Friends:

About this season of each year you have been kind enough to make a contribution to the maintenance needs of our Institution. I just want you to know that we are most grateful for this share in the development of our boys and girls in Bethune-Cookman College.

We hope that it may be possible for you to help us again this year. While we are putting forth every possible effort to secure funds for endowment, we must meet everyday maintenance needs. We are urging the friends of the years to help us close the fiscal year without a maintenance deficit.

I know that we may depend upon you for your usual aid.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 3, 1939.

Mrs. D. Brewer Eddy,
82 Kirkstall Road,
Newtonville, Massachusetts.

My dear Mrs. Eddy:

May we express our sincere appreciation to you for the interest and confidence that you have given to us for all of these years. You have shared so generously in the responsibilities of helping these Negro boys and girls. God bless you, dear friend.

We have received your contribution of $10.00 to maintenance and enclose official receipt for this amount. This gift brings so much relief and encouragement to us.

We pray that your interest in us may continue and that you will tell other friends of our work and our needs, that they also, may share in developing these boys and girls for service.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

May 5, 1939.

Mrs. Orme Wilson
3 East 64th Street
New York City

My dear Mrs. Wilson,

In the spring of last year you were kind enough to make a contribution of one hundred dollars to our endowment fund. This sum, along with the gifts of other friends at the time, has been carefully invested and the income has helped us meet maintenance needs this year.

We feel that you will be interested to know that we are continuing our efforts toward the securing of endowment funds needed. We have, at this time, only $88,000 in permanent endowment and we must have $200,000 by September in order to meet the requirements of a standard "A" rating by the Southern Association of Colleges. Negro members of our trustee board launched a campaign for this needed balance on March 17th. Friends are rallying with small gifts and two friends have made $1,000 gifts. You can readily see, however, that the task before us is a very great one.

We are encouraged to write you of this effort, because of the manifestation of your interest last year. If you desire to increase your gift to the endowment fund, please know that it will mean so much to this work, and the returns from the careful investment will help us train Negro boys and girls for the Christian service so greatly needed in the South.

May we thank you for your interest and confidence, and express the hope that they may continue and grow.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

May 5, 1939.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Sheaffer,

Pottsville, Pennsylvania.

My dear Friends:

We are so desperately in need of funds for maintenance that I am impelled to write you at this time. You have been so kind and generous to us over a period of years and have helped us greatly in training Negro boys and girls for Christian service.

Please, dear friends, extend your goodness further by helping us at this time. The end of the fiscal year is rapidly approaching and it will mean so much to us to close without a deficit. The permanent endowment funds that we are so earnestly seeking will seem more of a definite possibility if we can close our maintenance books free of debt.

Please help us if you possibly can. I know you will.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

May 5, 1939.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Price,
219 East Mapse Street,

North Canton, Ohio.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Price:

It is so good of you to respond to our request for help toward maintenance needs, with generous donations of one hundred dollars each, that are so gratefully received. We enclose official receipts for these gifts. Bless you for this great relief to our maintenance problem.

We are putting forth every possible effort to secure permanent endowment funds and the success of our efforts along this line will be based upon the closing of the fiscal year free of debt.

You are helping so greatly in this work. Your gifts bring us encouragement as well as help. Please be assured of our deepest gratitude.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

May 5, 1939.

Mrs. Thomas Fleming, Jr.
1541 Lombardy Road,
Pasadena, California.

Dear Mrs. Fleming:

We are so desperately in need of funds for maintenance that I am impelled to write you at this time. You so kindly and generously made a contribution of one hundred dollars to us last year and I am just wondering if you will extend your goodness further and help us at this time. The end of the fiscal year is rapidly approaching and it will mean so much to us to close without a deficit. The permanent endowment funds that we are so earnestly seeking will seem more of a definite possibility if we can close our maintenance books without debt.

Please, dear friend, help us if you possibly can. I know you will.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 6, 1939.

Mr. V. L. Estes,
General Passenger Agent,
The Southern Railway,
241 West Forsyth Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Mr. Estes:

Thank you very much for your telegram of this date, in reply to my inquiry.

We regret that serious illness prevents Mrs. Brady from returning to Asheville this evening. According to your instructions we are returning the rail and pullman tickets for cancellation. When Mrs. Brady is better and the date is decided upon for her leaving, we shall make another request of you for reservation.

We are so grateful for your cooperation in this particular.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Enc: tickets.

May 8, 1939

Mr. Joseph Schandorf
14 Morningside Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Schandorf:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies in the departments in which you are qualified to serve. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 9, 1939

Miss Irene C. Tyson
Tuskegee Institute
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama

Dear Miss Tyson:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualification.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 11, 1939

Mrs. Mame Mason Higgins
4406 Indiana Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mrs. Higgins:

Arrived here last night after a safe and pleasant trip. Found all the folks well and working hard for Commencement activities.

I want to take this opportunity to thank you and your mother for the courtesies extended me while in Chicago.

I did not get a chance to talk with Dr. Roberts before I left, as he was out. I am very anxious to hear from you and to know how things are progressing. Who are your officers for the big affair in June? Which date have you chosen for the Mass Meeting? Which place are you using for headquarters? Is there anything we can do to help?

Trusting you are well and hope ing to hear from you soon, I am

Sincerely yours,

W. Gertrude Brown.

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May 13, 1939

Mr. Lincoln I. Diuguid
304 Cascadilla Street
Ithaca, New York

Dear Mr. Diuguid:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 13, 1939.

Mr. Lewis T. Wilmarth
Michigan Trust Building
Grand Rapids, Michigan

Dear Mr. Wilmarth:

May we thank you for your good letter of May 8th. You have been so loyal to our work for all of these years and we are so grateful to you for your generous share in the establishment and building of this institution.

Please know that we are grateful for your interest and your good wishes and for whatever influence you may be able to use in our behalf.

Blessings upon you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 13, 1939.

Mrs. Thomas Fleming,
Quinta Querida,
1541 Lombardy Road,
Pasadena, California.

Dear Mrs. Fleming:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your continued interest in our work here. It means so much to us to have friends like you.

Your contribution of twenty-five dollars brings encouragement as well as help to us at this time. Although you cannot make a contribution of one hundred dollars, as you did last year, please know that we are so deeply grateful for this gift that you have sent. We enclose official receipt.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Please use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 13, 1939

Miss Emma Harrell, Corresponding Secty.
The Pleasant Hour Club
1068 N. Euring Street
Helena, Montana

Dear Friends:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to the Endowment Fund of Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for this amount. Please continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 17, 1939.

Dr. Edwin L. Clarke,
Rollins College,
Winter Park, Florida.

Dear Dr. Clarke:

We have just received, through Dean Bond, your contribution of ten dollars to the maintenance of Bethune-Cookman College, also the contribution from the Rollins College Race Relations Committee.

We wish to express our singere appreciation to you for your continued interest in our Institution. You have been so loyal to us for so many years. Your gift brings encouragement as well as help to us. And certainly we appreciate your influence with your students. Wont you tell the Race Relations Committee of Rollins just what this contribution does mean to us?

We should be so happy if you might come over on Sunday, May 28th or Tuesday, May 30th, for the Commencement features. It would be so nice for you to bring a group of the students over.

With best wishes,

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 19, 1939.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Rev. W. C. Bartley, Pastor,
Ebenezer Methodist Episcopal Church,

Miami, Florida.

Dear Rev. Bartley:

May we express our deepest gratitude to you and to the loyal friends in the congregation of Ebenezer Church, for their continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College.

We have just received, through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, your generous contribution of $112.00, which brings so much relief to our maintenance needs at this time. May God abundantly bless each one of you for this help.

Official receipt has been sent to the Board of Education for this gift. No doubt you have received their receipt to complete your record.

We shall be expecting you here for the Ministers Roll Call on the morning of May 30th, and for the Commencement exercises at three o'clock on that day.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

May 19, 1939.

Dr. W. C. Thomas,
South Arredonda Street,
Gainesville,Florida.

Dear Dr. Thomas:

We are enclosing a certified copy of proof of death of Mrs. Louise A. Sullivan, who died November 9, 1928. According to this copy, you were attending physician at that time. In order that we might complete certain papers required by the Afro-American Life Insurance Company, we are asking you to fill out the blue form supplied by this company.

Our Institution is beneficiary of a policy carried on Mrs. Sullivan's life and we just recently learned that she is dead.

If there are any charges for your service in filling out the blank, we will gladly pay them upon receipt of bill.

Kindly return the certified copy of proof of death from the Vital Statistics Bureau, when you send the blank.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 22, 1939

Miss Nancy C. Simmons
Route 1, Box 59
Devereux, Georgia

Dear Miss Simmons:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 23, 1939

Miss Olive E. Johnson
5500 Brown's Lake Road
Jackson, Michigan

Dear Miss Johnson:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Faculty

May 23, 1939.

Miss May Getzendanner
3414 Cheviot Avenue
Cincinnati, Ohio

My dear Miss Getzendanner:

I just reached Daytona Beach this morning, and found that your letter had been forwarded here from Washington. I am sorry to miss you but am glad to know that you have been able to have your treatments.

I just want to express our gratitude to you for helping us at this time when we need help so badly. I expected that you would find some irregularities but I am very happy to know that you are able to check things up. It grieves me to think that there is a possibility of our closing with a defi deficit. We are still trying to find money, however. You know we never give up and the thirtieth of June is not here yet. The Lord may look upon us with great favor before that time. We shall continue to do our best.

It is my feeling that the National Youth Administration has meant so much to all of the schools. I am so glad that we could have had such generous aid in Bethune-Cookman.

As to the dance and the aftermath, no one regrets such a thing as this more than I do. This is not the kind of thing that is identified with Bethune-Cookman College. Things may creep in, you know, that might not have been foreseen. In such instances we must do everything possible to discourage them.

If it is more convenient for you to return on May 31st, we shall be happy to have you do so. Mr. Stanton will remain until you return. I shall be here until the fourth or fifth of June.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 24, 1939.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Miss Nadine Dickerson,
Thayer Hall,
Clark University,

Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Miss Dickerson;

Thank you for your application for a position on our staff for 1939-40.

We are very happy to know that you are completing your work at Clark this year. We know you well and are glad to accept your application for clerical service in the general offices. Details of duties, remuneration and the time when you will need to report for work will be sent to you by the College Secretary, Mrs. Mitchell, at a later date.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

May 25, 1939

Miss Mary Anne Robinson
120 Gordon Avenue
Dayton, Ohio

Dear Miss Robinson:

May we thank you for your letter of May 16, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 25, 1939

Mr. Randall C. Morgan
356 East 46th Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Morgan:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have a vacancy on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 25, 1939

Mr. Howard Hill
Virginia Union University
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Mr. Hill:

May we thank you for your letter of May 15, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Student

May 25, 1939.

Miss Leona Geraldine Alford,
66 McIntosh Street,
Newman, Georgia.

My dear Miss Alford:

Your letter of May 22nd, to Mrs. Bethune, has been referred to our Student Aid Committee for attention and reply.

We would be very happy if we might give you some help during the summer session but the number of jobs is limited and we are not able to give you any consideration at this time.

We hope, however, that it may be possible for you to come to us as a regular student.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 25, 1939

Mr. William Blodgett Holmes
Willard Place
Evanston, Illinois

Dear Mr. Holmes;

May we thank you for your letter of May 15, with reference to your Natural Color Motion Picture Lectures on "out-of-the-way parts of the world". We will not decide upon lectures and recitals until late September. At that time, if it is possible, we shall be happy to include you in our schedule for 1939-40.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 25, 1939

Mr. Willard Matthews
333 East 43rd Street
New York City

Dear Mr. Matthews:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, calling our attention to the number of artists who will be on tour through Florida 1939-40. If we find it possible to present one of these artists, we will get in touch with you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

May 26, 1939

Mrs. Cecil Hutcherson-Taylor
408 Division Avenue
West Palm Beach, Florida

Dear Cecil:

I am very glad that your nursery work there continues to grow. I know you must find it interesting.

We are sorry that you will not be able to come up for Alumni Day. We are anticipating a large number of the old students on that day. I want them to come and get a clearer vision of what we are trying to do.

I hope your community work will continue to grow.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 26, 1939

Mrs. S. Fay Rhodes
610 E. 6th Street
Coffeyville, Kansas

My dear Mrs. Rhodes:

Your letter has been following me. I am down in Florida now. When I am in that section again, I shall be glad to arrange to come out and see your people there.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

May 26, 1939

Mr. W. B. Thomas
U. S. Department of Labor
Immigration and Naturalization Service
Miami, Florida

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Thanks exceedingly for your letter and for the invitation to be with you in the celebration of the newly naturalized citizens of the United States.

I appreciate your invitation, but find it impossible to be present. Will you extend to your group my congratulations for the occasion and my sincere wishes for the future growth and development of the newly naturalized citizens of the United States.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 26, 1939.

My dear President Lee:

I just want to extend to you a special invitation to be with us for our Commencement exercises on Tuesday, May 30, at three o'clock in the afternoon. Our faculty and students always gain so much inspiration from your visits and we hope that you can be with us this year.

we should be very happy to have you bring your academic attire and join us in the commencement processional.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Dr. J. R. E. Lee,
President, Florida A and M College,
Tallahassee.

May 26, 1939.

My dear Dr. Long,

I am so happy that you are to be with us as our Baccalaureate speaker on Sunday afternoon. I am sure our boys and girls will receive real inspiration from a young man who has made such a fine contribution to Christian education as you have made.

I want to extend to you a special invitation to be with us also for our Commencement exercises on Tuesday, May 30th, at three o'clock. If you can be with us, we would be so happy to have you bring your academic attire and join us in the processional.

You will, of course, bring your academic attire for Sunday afternoon.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 26, 1939.

Mr. Edward R. Ellerbe, Editor,
The Colored Page of
The Florida Times Union,
West Adams Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Mr. Ellerbe:

We would greatly appreciate it if you would run again, on your page for Sunday , May 28th, the schedule of our Commencement events, giving as good space as possible to it. I enclose the copy.

We would like very much to have you come down for the Commencement exercises on Tuesday afternoon, to cover them for your paper. Get down early, in order to be present at the other exercises on Tuesday.

We shall expect you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 26, 1939.

My dear Dr. Hubert:

I cannot tell you how happy I am that you are to be with us for our Commencement address on Tuesday, May 30th, at three o'clock in the afternoon. I hope that you will find it interesting to visit Bethune-Cookman College and meet our students and teachers. I hope it is going to be possible for you to get here as early as possible, to witness as much of the commencement season as possible.

You will, of course, bring your academic attire .

Please let us know just when we may expect you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Dr. Benjamin F. Hubert,
President, Georgia State College,
Industrial College, Georgia.

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May 27, 1939.

My dear Mr. Davidson:

I shall be most grateful if you will permit the enclosed letter to be published in your column - "Brief Editorials by News-Journal Readers" - in your paper of Sunday morning, May 28th.

We hope that you and Mrs. Davidson may be able to attend our Baccalaureate service and Commencement exercises.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Mr. Herbert Davidson, Editor,
The Daytona Beach News-Journal,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

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General

May 30, 1939

Mrs. Poole
Florida A and M College
Tallahassee, Florida

Dear Mrs. Poole:

According to the conversation we had when we were together, I have been waiting to hear from you. I am told that you have had an accident, but you are better now.

I wonder if you still have in mind of coming to Bethune-Cookman College. I am making arrangement now for my faculty and must hear from you immediately.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

May 30, 1939

Mrs. Poole
Florida A and M College
Tallahassee, Florida

Dear Mrs. Poole:

According to the conversation we had when we were together, I have been waiting to hear from you. I am told that you have had an accident, but you are better now.

I wonder if you still have in mind coming to Bethune-Cookman College. I am making arrangements now for my faculty for 1939-40. I hope to hear from you immediately.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

May 31, 1939.

Mrs. Mame Anderson Pratt
239 West 131st Street
New York City

My dear Mame Pratt:

Albert, Jr. will arrive in New York on the Seaboard train "Meteor" Friday morning at 11;27 o'clock. He will be there until 8 p. m. when he will leave for Saranac Inn, New York. Please have him met at the station, take him to Harlem and see after him until the train leaves.

He will be working in Saranac this summer.

Love to you and all of the household.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

May 31, 1939.

Mr. R. B. Eleazer,
Commission on Interracial Cooperation,
709 Standard Building,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Mr. Eleazer:

I am enclosing, for the information of your office, copies of a letter I have just sent to Governor Cone, and a press letter which I hope will be published in our leading local white paper. If it is published, I will send you a clipping.

We are doing everything we possibly can to arouse sentiment against the unjust handling of this case. I am sure you know just how much it has hurt all of the Negroes of this community.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

May 31, 1939.

Mr. Herbert Davidson, Editor,
The Daytona Beach News-Journal,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mr. Davidson:

I am writing, earnestly requesting your consideration of the enclosed letter, which I should like to have appear in the column "Brief Editorials by News-Journal Readers," in your Thursday afternoon paper.

You have been so kind to us and have given us full cooperation in every phase of our work. I just want to thank you for this cooperation and solicit your continued help in our efforts to lift Negro people.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 31, 1939

Mr. Charles L. Plainchief
12 Gannett Street
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Plainchief:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

May 31, 1939

Miss Bernice Bradford Wallace
Spelman College
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Wallace:

Thanks for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualification.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May [illegible]1, 1939

Miss Bessie A. Durden
215 Peshine Avenue
Newark, New Jersey

Dear Miss Durden:.

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 31, 1939

Mr. Hiram E. Jackson, Jr.
1118 E. Jefferson Street
Springfield, Illinois

Dear Mr. Jackson:

Thanks for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Faculty

June 3, 1939.

Mrs. Ethel L. Richardson,
Bethune-Cookman College,

Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Richardson:

We have appreciated your interest and work at Bethune-Cookman College.

We are making some changes in our program and organization for the coming year and I wish to inform you that we will not be in position to invite you to return to us after the close of the fiscal year, June 30.

If there is anything that we can do to assist you in locating yourself elsewhere, we shall be very glad to give this assistance.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

June 5, 1939.

Superintendent J. I. Leonard,
Department of Public Instruction,
West Palm Beach, Florida.

My dear Superintendent Leonard:

One of our students is teaching in your county, whose name is ALICE MOORE. It has come to my attention that something has gone wrong with her work, or her appointment. I am wondering if you will give me some data as to the grade of work she is doing. I am very much concerned about the young people who go out from Bethune-Cookman College. I am sure that whatever you will do will be greatly appreciated by me.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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General

Ju[illegible] 5, 1939.

Dr. Alonza P. Holly,
315 N. W. 8th Street,
Miami, Florida.

My dear Dr. Holly:

We [illegible] very happy to have you and hope you had a pleasant stay. In answer to your letter, I am writing to ask what type of work you want done. We have some very fine young women, but we do not know just what your position requires. I am leaving town, but Mrs. Mitchell, the Secretary of the college will be here, and you may write her.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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Donors

June 6, 1939

Mrs. Viola T. Hill
Corner Lincoln and Washington Streets
Orlando, Florida

My dear Mrs. Hill:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $15.00 to the Endowment of Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose receipt for same. Please continue thoughtful of and prayerful for Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 6, 1939

Miss Margaret Rhodes
426 South Beach Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Miss Rhodes:

Your recent contribution of one hundred dollars came, as you know, at a time when we needed it most. It means so much for us to have a staunch friend like you to stand by the institution and give material aid during these strenuous days. Your contribution of one hundred dollars brings to us both help and encouragement. We enclose official receipt for same.

May we thank you again for your continued interest and your unfailing loyalty to this institution.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 6, 1939

Mrs. Thelma Livingston
410 Broad Street - Room 213
Masonic Temple
Jacksonville, Florida

My dear Mrs. Livingston:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to the Endowment of Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose receipt for same. Please continue thoughtful of and prayerful for Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 6, 1939

Mr. Lester Lennon
464 Lenox Avenue
Apartment 2
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Lennon:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 6, 1939

Miss Elsie McLendon
342 Hashell Avenue
Kansas City, Kansas

Dear Miss McLendon:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 7, 1939

Mr. Otho P. Pinkett
507 North Gilmor Street
Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Mr. Pinkett:

May we thank you for your letter of June 3, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 7, 1939

Mr. Luther L. Henderson
940 St. Nicholas Avenue
Apartment 6-F
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Henderson:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 8, 1939

Miss Grace Coleman Sherman
Texas College
Tyler, Texas

Dear Miss Sherman:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 9, 1939.

Mr. J. B. Blayton,
Professor of Accounting,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Mr. Blayton:

Thank you very much for your letter of May 23rd, recommending Miss Helen McKnight and Mr. T. M. Shadowens for possible service in the business office of Bethune-Cookman College during the ensuing year.

We have received applications from both of these young peopla and are giving to them careful consideration. We hope that we may be able to find the proper person for this important department.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 9, 1938

Mr. Simpson A. Bender,
1447 E. Eighth Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Mr. Bender:

Thanks for your letter of June 8th. We are very sorry to know that you have to undergo a serious operation. Our sympathy goes out for you and our prayers are for your strength and courage. Just know that God will be with you.

Yes, we will be only too glad to accept the books from your library. We will drive up for them Friday, June 10th or Saturday, June 11th. Please wire collect what day will be satisfactorily with you.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 10, 1939

Mrs. Estella M. Bullard
623 Main Street
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Bullard :

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 10, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Mrs. Artisse E. Macomson
1405 Bangs Avenue
Asbury Park, New Jersey

Dear Mrs. Macomson:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 10, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Misses Josephine and Louise Emery
Chase Road
Tilton, New Hampshire

Dear Friends:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $25.00, pledge made to the Endowment of Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 10, 1939

Mr. William S. Edmonds
1021 Thirty-first Street
Newport News, Virginia

Dear Mr. Edmonds:

May we thank you for your letter of June 5, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application, and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 12, 1939

Mr. B. T. White
63 East Eleventh Avenue
Columbus, Ohio

Dear Mr. White:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacandy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 12, 1939

Mr. T. M. Shadowens, Jr.
Morehouse College
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Shadowens:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are considering your qualifications, and if we decide favorably, will get in touch with you immediately.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 12, 1939

Dr. and Mrs. R. S. Holmes
Box 3189 Pen. Sta.
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Dr. and Mrs. Holmes:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $25.00 to the Endowment of Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. It means so much for us to have a staunch friend like you to stand by the institution and give material aid during these strenuous days. Your contribution of twenty-five dollars brings to us both help and encouragement.

May we thank you again for your continued interest and your unfailing loyalty to this institution.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 12, 1939

Mrs. H. A. DuBois
450 Hempstead Avenue
Hempstead, New York

Dear Mrs. DuBois:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $1.00 to our Birthday Club.

We enclose receipt for same. Just know that this amount aids us greatly in meeting our daily maintenance. We are grateful for this manifestation of your confidence in our program.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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NYAChecks for
Alice Ayer
Elnora Childs
Alzora Goodrum

June 13, 1939.

Mrs. F. A. Ponder,
1313 Fifth Avenue, South,
St. Petersburg, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Ponder:

Thank you so much for your cordial letter of June 8th. It has been so nice to have you so close to the work here.

I am so happy to know that you have been pleased with our service to your children. We hate to have little Alice graduate, for she was such a nice little girl. And, of course, Maxie and Ernest were nice, too.

Please let me know the name of the girl whom your club is sending to us this year. We shall do our best for her.

I am enclosing the application blanks and circulars of information.

I am enclosing also three of the last-month NYA checks, with the request that you have the children endorse them and you return them to me immediately. I will then send the receipts to you by return mail. This is so important, for we must get them in to close these students' accounts before the close of our fiscal year. They were late coming in, although we did our best to get them here before the close of school. I know you will do this for me. I enclose, stamped, self-addressed envelope for your convenience in returning the endorsed checks.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 14, 1939

Miss Juanita N. Davis
1179 East Forty-eighth Street
Los Angeles, California

Dear Miss Davis:

May we thank you for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have a vacancy on our staff at the present. However, we are filling your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualification.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

June 15, 1939.

Rev. Simpson A. Bender,
1724 South First Street,
Jacksonville Beach, Florida.

My dear Rev. Bender:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for the books, for which we sent our truck to Jacksonville. They were received in good condition and have been placed, according to our promise, all together. In order to reassure you of this fact, the Secretary has secured from the Librarian a statement to this effect. Please have no further anxiety on this score. We will keep the collection intact.

My office understands that you may write for a book from the collection at any time and it will be mailed to you promptly.

We have noted your statement that some of the books need re-binding. Our efforts at this time are being turned toward the raising of funds to erect an adequate Library Building, and to secure permanent endowment funds for the College. It is very difficult, therefore, to consider any items of extra expense over and above strict budget items. Just as soon as we can secure funds for the re-binding of these and other books in the Library that need such service, we will communicate with you. It is so kind of you to offer your cooperation.

Mr. Simpson, who has served as Acting President of the College for two years, is no longer with us. I shall spend more of my time here and will keep in closer touch with all matters.

With gratitude for your confidence and interest, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 16, 1939

Miss Edith Powell
793 Simpson Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Powell:

May we thank you for your letter of June 13, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 16, 1939

Miss Ruth W. Dabney
1737 Willard Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Dabney:

May we thank you for your letter of June 13, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff for a Librarian at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

June 17, 1939.

Mr. R. C. Oliver,
State Field Supervisor, Negro Work,
Department of Recreation,
Works Progress Administration,
Sarasota, Florida.

My dear Mr. Oliver:

I enclose copy of a letter I have just written to Miss Dunbar, Field Supervisor of the State-wide Recreation Project, in reply to a communication just received from her.

Dean Bond and I are both so sorry for this condition, which prevents our having Mr. Sams and Mrs. Oliver this year. It is more unfortunate for our summer school students so thoroughly enjoyed the course offered by Mrs. Dimitry last year and the year before that. If were conducting a second session we would certainly make plans to have them both with us.

May we thank you for your cooperation in the matter.

Sincerely yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell, Secretary.

June 20, 1939

Mr. Tolbert Jackson
2117 Mars Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mr. Jackson:

May we thank you for your letter of June 19, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 20, 1939

Mr. Edward W. Jackson
801 South 15th Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Jackson:

May we thank you for your letter of June 12, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have a vacancy on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 22, 1939.

Miss Cecie R. Jenkins
Palmer Memorial Institute
Sedalia, North Carolina

My dear Miss Jenkins:

May we acknowledge, with sincere gratitude, receipt of your letter of June 9th, with enclosure of Money Order in the amount of $5.00, to Endowment.

We are deeply grateful to you for your interest and your confidence in the possibility of Bethune-Cookman College. May this gratitude continue.

Sincerely yours,

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE,

Bertha L. Mitchell, Secretary.

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June 26, 1939

Mr. McKinley Taylor
6115 Woodland Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Thanks for your letter of June 15, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 26, 1939

Miss Martha Wright
Rural Route - 11
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Miss Wright:

May we thank you for your letter of June 16, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 26, 1939

Mr. Douglas C. Luffborough
Virginia State College
Ettrick, Virginia

Dear Mr. Luffborough:

Thanks for your letter of June 22, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have a vacancy on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling our attention to your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 26, 1939

Miss Edurna T. Thomas
1420 Hattie Avenue
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Dear Miss Thomas:

Thanks for your letter of June 25, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy in the near future,we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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BETHUNE*COOKMAN COLLEGE
Daytona Beach,Florida

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

OF

INCOME AND EXPENSE

WITH BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR

May 31, 19[illegible]

Appli' filed

June 28, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

The Reverend Joseph A. Leach
404 W. Gadsden Street
Pensacola, Florida

My dear Mr. Leach:

I have received your letter and the application for the work at Bethune-Cookman College and it interests me very much indeed.

When I return to Florida which will be about July 3, I shall look into this matter and see what we can do along this line. I am very desirous of having an efficient shop for the boys to receive this kind of training. We will determine what program we can set up and we are happy to have your name as a possible instructor.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune
Director, Division of Negro Affairs

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June 29, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Mrs. Lillian H. Gist
111 South Newport Avenue
Tampa, Florida

Dear Mrs. Gist:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $2.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose receipt for same. We are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 29, 1939

Mr. William F. McCrady
239 Fourth Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. McCrady:

May we express our gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. Just know that your contribution brings encouragement as well as material aid. We solicit your continued interest and confidence in our program.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 30, 1939

Miss Mildred Roberts
A. & I. State College
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Miss Roberts:

Thanks for your letter of June 26, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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[illegible] 3, 1939

Mr. Herbert W. Mack
2625 Dante Place
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Mack:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 toward the Endowment of Bethune-Cookman College, through Mr. Lanier.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of five dollars brings encouragement as well as material aid to us at this time.

We solicit your continued interest in our institution.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 3, 1939

Miss E. Jackson
Box 453
Sayville, Long Island

Dear Miss Jackson:

Thanks for your letter of June 27, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

July 3, 1939

Miss Agnes Elizabeth May
303 Clark Avenue
Macon, Georgia

Dear Miss May:

Thanks for your letter of June 28, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 3, 1939

Miss Effie K. Adams
15 East Prentiss
Iowa City, Iowa

Dear Miss Adams:

Thanks for your letter of June 26, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 3, 1939

Mr. J. E. Livingston
General Delivery
Ocala, Florida

Dear Mr. Livingston:

Thanks for your letter of June 30, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 3, 1939

Miss Vivian K. Cameron
Box 653
Lumberton, North Carolina

Dear Miss Cameron:

Thanks for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 3, 1939

Miss Verna M. Beal
Bournedale, Massachusetts

Dear Miss Beal:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 toward the Endowment of Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. We are indeed grateful for this amount and for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We solicit your continued interest in the progress of Bethune-Cookman College.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 3, 1939

Rev. Harold R. Barnes
Livingston Memorial Methodist Church
Main and 21st Streets
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Rev. Barnes:

May we express our deep gratitude to you and the members of your congregation for your contribution of $5.00 toward the Endowment of Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Your contribution of $5.00 brings both encouragement and material aid to us at this time.

We solicit your continued interest in the program of Bethune-Cookman College.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 3, 1939

Miss Bertha T. Chambers
1201 Hollins Street
Lynchburg, Virginia

Dear Miss Chambers:

May we thank you for your letter of June 25, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

July 3, 1939

Mr. William Penick
672 - K Street
San Bernardino, California

Dear Mr. Penick:

Thanks for your letter of June 15, which I have read with great interest and understanding. I sympathize with you in your struggle for an education and hope some day you will reach your goal.

If you desire to continue your education, I suggest that you make application to the President of whatever school you desire to attend. Explain your condition to him. I feel sure, you will be given every possible consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 4, 1939

Mr. Millard Williams
1738 You Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Williams:

Thanks for your letter of July 2, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

July 5, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Mrs. Edgerton Parsons
555 Park Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Parsons:

On March 30, 1939, we made an appeal to you for a donation to Bethune-Cookman College. On April 10, 1939, we received a letter from you stating that it was impossible for you to make a contribution at that time, but you would try to make a contribution in the mid-summer. You requested that we send you a reminder on July 1st.

Your contribution will be most helpful at this time. We are putting forth every effort to raise $135,000 this year to secure the "A" rating for Bethune-Cookman College from the Southern Association of Colleges. At the same time, we are struggling to meet our daily maintenance here at the College. The load is heavy, but through the power of God and with strong friends like you, I feel that we will pull through.

We ask that you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

July 5, 1939.

Mrs. James A. Atkins,
915 S Street, Northwest,
Washington, D. C.

My dear, dear Mrs. Atkins:

May I express my personal appreciation and the deep gratitude of our Institution, for your generous contribution of $50.00 to our endowment fund. Our committee is greatly encouraged because of this help.

May I thank you also for your good wishes on my birthday. You can never know what it means to me to have the friendship of all of you who are standing closely in the line of progress for Negro people. I thank God for my friends - for those who are holding up my hands and giving me renewed strength to carry on.

We enclose official receipt for your contribution. I wish that you and Mr. Atkins might be with us for the Birthday party that is being planned by our committee and the summer school students, on July 10th. At that time the reports of endowment activities from March, to that time, will be read.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 6, 1939.

Mr. J. C. Bruce,
Supervising Principal, Division 13,
Lincoln School, Second and C Streets, S.E.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Bruce:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and to the teaching personnel of Division 13th Public Schools, Washington, for the generous contribution of $70.00 to our Endowment Campaign. I cannot tell you how much encouragement this gift brings to our efforts.

Our committee is working hard on plans for a fine celebration and report on my birthday, July 10th. I wish that all of our good friends in Washington might be here with us for that occasion.

Please continue thoughtful of our work. Just know that when you help Bethune-Cookman College, you give me greater strength to do the larger task.

Blessings upon all of you.

Gratefully, sincerely,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 7, 1939

Miss E. Alma Williams
176 Brunswick Street
Newark, New Jersey

My dear Miss Williams:

May I first of all congratulate your group on your effort to organize for constructive work. I think the world is very much in need of more busy people [illegible]cerned about things that are constructive and helpful not only for themselves but for others. I shall be honored in having the club named the Mary McLeod Bethune Club. Please do not leave out the McLeod in my name; it will not be complete. I shall be very proud to accept the title of honorary sponsor. When you set up your program, I shall be very glad to be kept in contact with you as to your progress in your work. Possibly some day I shall be able to visit yoy.

Remember me tenderly to all of the young women.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

MMB:d

Appl.

July 7, 1939

Mr. Albert R. Dixon
63 Eleventh Avenue
Columbus, Ohio

My dear Dixon:

I want to congratulate you for the completion of your work. We are very proud of you. May we assure you that if there is any possible way for us to employ you here, we shall be very glad to inform you. We cannot say at this writing, but we shall write you again soon.

We have a very nice Summer School.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

MMB:d

July 7, 1939

Mrs. Marie Van Poole
Box 771
City

My dear Marie;

Thank you very much for your application for the Kayser Practice School, but beyond our control the Superintendent has shifted the teachers from assisting here into the practice school; therefore it is impossible for us to have you.

May I hope for you continued success in your present work.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

MMB:d

July 8, 1939

Mr. Charles T. Parker
3710 Follett Avenue
Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Mr. Parker:

Thanks for your letter of July 3.

I suggest that you have your daughter, Esther Lee Parker, make application to the President of West Virginia State College for NYA or industrial aid. I feel sure he will give you every possible consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Appl.

July 8, 1939.

Miss Dorothy Vera Stephens,
Alabama State Teachers College,
Montgomery, Alabama.

My dear Dorothy:

I have just come to my office and have found your letter of June 28th. I am so glad to know that you would be willing to come to us for service in Bethune-Cookman.

We have just completed our conference on faculty positions and needs, and find that the work in Mathematics must be done, after all, by one of the members of the present staff. We find that only one course in Mathematics will need outside instruction and we must try to find a part-time worker to take care of it.

With these facts in mind, we cannot give you the consideration anticipated. I am so sorry, for I had hoped to have you with us during this year.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Ma[illegible] [illegible]eod Bethune.

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July [illegible] 1939

Mr. J. H. Baker, Agent,
Durham Life Insurance Company,
Branch Office,
Sumter, South Carolina.

Dear Mr. Baker:

I am returning the application for change of beneficiary form, sent to me for signature.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 8, 1939

Mr. Ernest Antrum
1852 N. Van Pelt Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Antrum:

Thanks for your letter of July 1, stating your desire to complete your education.

If it is your desire to enter the Voorhees Normal & Industrial School, South Carolina, I suggest that you make application to the President of that school for NYA or Industrial Aid. I am sure he will give you every possible consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 11, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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President C. S. Long
Edward Waters College
Jacksonville, Florida

My dear President Long:

It has just come to my notice that Edward Waters College has received its accreditation. I am so happy. Please accept my congratulations. I know you must feel gratified in having this handicap removed. May I wish for you continued success.

Sincerely yours,

Mary Mc Leod Bethune

MMB:d

July 11, 1939.

Mr. H. F. Coleman,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mr. Coleman:

May we express our sincere appreciation to you for the loyal and efficient service you have rendered Bethune-Cookman College during all of these years you have been affiliated with us. We have grown to depend upon you because of your warm interest in all that pertains to the progress of the College.

We are pleased to invite you to continue your affiliation with the staff during 1939-40, as Field Representative, particularly among the Methodist churches of the State, and serving as active director of publicity and public relations. This is such an important phase of our work and I know that you can do it for us, improving and expanding the service. We offer you a salary of one hundred thirty ($130) dollars per month, for the scholastic year of nine months.

We are asking all of our teachers to give their fullest interest and cooperation to all phases of Bethune-Cookman's program. We are asking them, particularly, to attend the little Methodist church as often as possible. We want to make ourselves felt in the community and in the church.

I am glad to receive your letter, in which you have interpreted so well, the service that we desire you to render this year. I know that I may depend upon you for continued interest, cooperation and efficient service.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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(signed in President Bethune's absence.

Dean

July 12, 1939.

Bishop H. Y. Tookes,
Edward Waters College,
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Bishop Tookes:

On behalf of the teachers and students of the Summer Session, we wish to extend to you a warm invitation to deliver the commencement address of our Summer Closing on Saturday morning, July 22nd, at ten o'clock.

The prospective list of graduates indicates that 59 will complete the Junior College work and 8 the High School. To have you with us for this occasion wouldgive great inspiration to them and to our visitors and friends.

I sincerely hope that you will accept this invitation.

Cordially yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 13, 1939

Miss Cleaster Jones
3319 Audubon Street
New Orlenns, Louisiana

Dear Miss Jones:

Thanks for your letter of July 10, which I have read with interest and understanding.

We do not offer nurse training at Bethune-Cookman College. If you are interested in preparing yourself for a nurse, I suggest that you write to the Brewster Hospital, Jacksonville, Fla.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 15, 1939

Mr. Harvey E. Johnson
568 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Thanks for your letter of June 15, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With bes[illegible]hes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 17, 1939

Mrs. Verner K. Howell
1918 Spruce Street
Terre Haute, Indiana

Dear Mrs. Howell:

Thanks for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

July 17, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mrs. Edgerton Parsons
555 Park Avenue
New York City

Dear Mrs. Parsons:

May we express our gratitude to you for your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of ten dollars brings both encouragement and material aid at this time. Just know that we are thankful for your thought of us and for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Receipt enclosed

July 17, 1939

Mrs. Mary M. Mitchell
695 St. Nicholas Avenue
New York City

Dear Mrs. Mitchell:

Thanks for your letter of July 14, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 17, 1939

Mr. Rufus O. Brent
83 Camden Street
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Brent:

Thanks for your letter of July 10, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 17, 1939

Mrs. Pauline Byrd Taylor
730 Parker Street
Kalamazoo, Michigan

Dear Mrs. Taylor:

Thanks for your letter of July 12, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 17, 1939

Mr. Lester Lennon
464 Lenox Avenue
Apartment 2
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Lennon:

Thanks for your letter of recent date making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 17, 1939

Miss Lolita Jackman
50 Morningside Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Jackman:

Thanks for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Mary McLeod Bethune, *President*
Abram L. Simpson, *Acting President*
William M. Cobb, *Treasurer*

July 17, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mrs. M. T. L. Gannett
15 Sibly Place
Rochester, New York

Dear Mrs. Gannett:

May we express our gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of five dollars brings both encouragement and material aid at this time. Just know that we are thankful for your thought of us and for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Receipt enclosed

Enclosed sent to me by mistake.
Don't bother to acknowledge this, nor to send me a receipt — check itself serves — M. T. L. Gannett

Donors

July 17, 1939

Mrs. M. T. L. Gannett
15 Sibly Place
Rochester, New York

Dear Mrs. Gannett:

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We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of five dollars brings both encouragement and material aid at this time. Just know that we are thankful for your thought of us and for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thou[illegible]ful of us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Receipt enclosed

July 18, 1939

Mr. A. A. Reid, Accountant
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Reid:

Thanks for your letter of July 10, recommending the J. B. Blayton & Company, C. P. A. Firm to do our auditing work. If we should need the service of this firm, we will write you.

Thanks for calling our attention to the efficiency of this firm.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 19, 1939.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Rev. Milford H. Lyon,
108 Flower Drive,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Dr. Lyon:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your inspiring address to our graduating classes of the Summer Session, at the Baccalaureate Service last Sunday. Dean Bond and our faculty members were enthusiastic in their reports of the inspiration given the class by your address.

We enclose our check for $10.00 as a gesture of appreciation for this service that you have rendered us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

P. S. We hope you can be present at the graduating exercises on Saturday morning, June 22nd, at ten o'clock.

July 20, 1939

Mrs. William H. Moore,
4 East 54th Street,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Moore:

I hope that you will not feel that I am intruding, nor giving you too much concern about Bethune-Cookman College. Your kindness and generosity to our Institution during the past years gives me the courage to approach you and let you know our needs.

I want to thank you for all you have done to help us meet maintenance needs. I want to thank you for your encouraging gift to the Endowment campaign.

You will be interested to know that our efforts to secure permanent endowment have resulted in the securing of $5,500 since March. We realize that it is difficult to secure large sums just now, but our efforts are unabated. We must reach this goal.

Meanwhile, we are desperately in need of funds to meet maintenance needs, until we can secure the endowment sufficiently large to provide maintenance funds. We had to close the fiscal year June 30, with a deficit of $7,000. This must be effaced as quickly as possible, for we cannot approach Foundations for endowment gifts, with this operating deficit on our books. The deficit is not large and, under the circumstances, we have done well. Our friends have stood by us in the past and they will do so now.

Last July you kindly sent us a gift of $500. You contributed a like amount in the same month of the previous year. Please, Mrs. Moore, help us in the same way this year. We need it so badly. Please extend your confidence to this point, knowing that your help enables us to build character and train Negro boys and girls who, otherwise, would have blighted lives in the most abject circumstances. Please help us to help them.

I feel that you will hear this plea, just as you have done in the past. Please let me hear from you, Mrs. Moore.

Always sincerely yours,

July 21, 1939.

Mr. LeRoy Sargent,
245 West 128th Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Sargent:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your letters of July 19th, and your money order for $42.50. We have credited these amounts - $22.50 to close Jacqueline's summer school account, and $[illegible].00 applied on her regular account. We enclose official receipts for these amounts.

I am shocked to note that you did not know that Jacqueline had a balance from the regular session. These matters werehandled in the office of our acting President, Mr. Simpson, but I felt sure he had told you of the balance. A portion of this balance was for the hospital bill that we paid for Jackqueline when she was ill. Just as soon as Jacqueline registered for Summer School we sent you her full bill, for she told us to do this, and there was no indication of her working during the period. Perhaps this statement did not reach you, but it was certainly sent.

We are glad that you are able to take care of the bill and she is free to take her examinations. We did not like to see her handicapped.

The enclosed statement from the Dean will give you an idea of Jacqueline's academic status.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 21, 1939.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mrs. Charles Goldthwaite,
Granby, Massachusetts.

My dear Mrs. Goldthwaite:

Mrs. Elizabeth F. Taylor, a staunch member of our Women's Advisory Board, has told us of her recent visit with you and of your interest in Bethune-Cookman College.

We wish to thank you for this interest which has been aroused and express the hope that it will grow as you know us better. We are happy to send, enclosed, some literature descriptive of Bethune-Cookman College and some postcard pictures of some of our buildings.

Perhaps Mrs. Taylor has told you something of the history of the school. If so, you will share with us, we feel sure, a great pride in the growth of the work. This has been possible through the interest and help of friends like Mrs. Taylor and scores of others whose confidence in the objective of three-fold education of Negro boys, has been aroused. We try to give our students rounded character training - direction in industries as well as in academic work. We try to give them training in head, heart and hand. The work is genuinely needed in this section, and is felt in the development of young Negroes into fine Christian citizens.

When you are in this section we shall be very happy to have you visit Bethune-Cookman and see, at first hand, the work we are trying to do here.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 22, 1939

Bishop and Mrs. R. E. Jones
1375 East Long Street
Columbus, Ohio

My dear Bishop and Mrs. Jones:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $50.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of fifty dollars brings both encouragement and material aid at this time. We are putting forth every effort to raise a much needed Endowment for Bethune-Cookman ColCollege and struggling to meet daily maintenance. It means so much to have a friend like you to think of us during these strenuous days.

May God bless you both and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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[illegible] July 22, 1939

Mr. Joseph A. Pittman
1829 Seventh Avenue
C/o Mrs. Louise Madden
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Pittman:

Thanks for your letter of July 21, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Dear

July 22, 1939.

Mr. M. L. Benedum,
Benedum Trees Building,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Benedum:

Your interest in our work as indicated by your donations in the past, encourages me to write you at this time and to request your continued interest and help.

We are desperately in need of funds for maintenance and we are writing to ask if you will be kind enough to send us a donation at this time. We had to close our fiscal year on June 30th, with a deficit of $7,000, and we are doing everything in our power to efface this deficit. The only way we can approach the large Foundations for endowment funds is to go to them with a clean slate where operation is concerned.

We earnestly request your interest and help at this time. A gift of any size will be most gratefully received.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 24, 1939

Mrs. Edgerton Parsons
555 Park Avenue
New York City

Dear Mrs. Parsons:

On July 17 we wrote you acknowledging receipt of your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. Inadvertently your receipt for $10.00 was left out and a receipt for [illegible].00 for Mrs. M. T. L. Gannett was enclosed.

We are enclosing your receipt for $10.00, and would appreciate it very much if you would return the other receipt immediately.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

MARY McLEOD BETHUNE, *President*
ABRAM L. SIMPSON, *Acting President*
WILLIAM M. COBB, *Treasurer*

July 24, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mrs. Edgerton Parsons
555 Park Avenue
New York City

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Gratefully yours,
Mary McLeod Bethune
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Dear Mrs. Bethune:-

The above letter came while I was on a month's vacation. Am sorry I didn't notice that the receipt was for a gift from a Mrs. Garnett, but am glad to return it herewith.

Very truly yours,
(Mrs.) Frances E. Williams
Secy. to Mrs. Parsons.

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July 27, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Miss Clara Kneubuehl
29 Legion Drive
Kenmore, New York

Dear Miss Kneubuehl:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to the Birthday Club of Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of one dollar brings encouragement as well as material aid at this time. It means so much to have a friend like you to think of us during these strenuous days.

We solicit your continued interest - tell your friends about our work and use your influence whenever and wherever possible in our behalf.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 27, 1939

Miss Dorothy Lee Williams
601 West Long Street
Orlando, Florida

My dear Dorothy:

Thanks for your interesting letter of July 24. I am happy to know that you enjoyed your stay at Bethune-Cookman College and are planning to return in early September. It was nice of you to write me.

Continue to encourage students to attend Bethune-Cookman. It would be nice to organize a Bethune-Cookman Club there in Orlando, with you as President. This would be publicity for the College and also encourage students to attend.

We had a very successful summer session this year, with an enrollment of 320.

We are looking forward to seeing you in September.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

July 28, 1939.

Mrs. William H. Moore,
Four East Fifty-fourth Street,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Moore:

The kind note from your secretary, and your generous check for $500.00 are before me and I just want to express to you my heartfelt gratitude for this response to our appeal. Oh, Mrs. Moore, you do not know just what this gift does mean to us just now. It is the most heartening thing that has come to me in many days. God bless you, dear friend, for the generous share of interest and confidence and help that you have given to us during these years.

Just know that you have helped us to solve a grave problem this week, and we are more than grateful for your aid.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 29, 1939

Miss Eliza Crawford Graham
109 Cemetery Street
Chester, South Carolina

Dear Miss Graham:

Thanks for your letter of July 20, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeld Bethune.

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July 29, 1939

Mr. Alexander M. Valentine
P. O. Box 232
Albany, Georgia

Dear Mr. Valentine:

Thanks for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 29, 1939

Mr. C. A. Christophe
Box 104
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Christophe:

Thanks for your letter of July 26, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 29, 1939

Miss Bernice Jordan
357 West 121 Street
New York City

Dear Miss Jordan:

Thanks for your letter of July 18, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 29, 1939

Mr. James H. Lee, M. D.
402 Madison Street
Brooklyn, New York

Dear Mr. Lee:

Thanks for your letter of July 26, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best [illegible]

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 1, 1939

Mr. B. F. Dabney
24 Shafter Street
Dorchester, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Dabney:

Thanks for your letter of July 26, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August [illegible], 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mrs. Orla A. Mills
4636 Eighth Avenue, North
St. Petersburg, Florida

Dear Mrs. Mills:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of five dollars brings encouragement as well as material aid to us at this time.

We solicit your continued interest and ask that you use your influence whenever possible in our behalf.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 4, 1939

Mrs. A. J. Gaehr
515 West 7th Street
Erie, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Gaehr:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your contribution of [illegible]5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. This amount brings encouragement as well as material aid to us at this time. It means so much for us to have a friend like you to think of us during these strenuous days. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and use your influence whenever possible in our behalf.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 4, 1939

Miss Elsie M. Bayha
1159 Market Street
Wheeling, West Virginia

Dear Miss Bayha:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of five dollars brings encouragement as well as material aid to us at this time.

We solicit your continued interest and ask that you use your influence whenever possible in our behalf.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Student

August 7,1939.

My dear Emmaline:

I just want to express my gratitude for the whole hearted service that you have given in my home. We are formulating plans whereby you may have working scholarship aid during the ensuing year, if you continue with the fine spirit of service that has characterized you during the summer.

I am enclosing a little check, in order that you may have some cash to buy a few little things and wish that I might do more. The real compensation for your service will come in your aid during next year. This is just a little "extra."

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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enc-check

August 7, 1939

Mrs. Wynona Sawyer Cross
Girls' Service League, Inc.
Camp Margaret Murray Washington
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Mrs. Cross:

Thanks for your letter of August 3, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Miss Dollie C. James
Box 1795
Dallas, Texas

Dear Miss James:

Thanks for your interesting letter of July 31. I am happy to know that you are interested in lecturing and reviewing books. I [illegible]ou continued success in this field.

If we should decide to have some one to lecture for Bethune-Cookman College in that part of the country, we shall be glad to get in touch with you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 9, 1939

Mr. Burr Hupp, Assistant Editor
The Christian Advocate
1121 McGee Street
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mr. Hupp:

Thanks for your letter of recent date.

The books have been received and placed in our Library. I am sure they will be very helpful to our students and to the community.

We are grateful to you and Mrs. Dan B. Brummitt for your thought of us and for this manifestation of your confidence in our work.

We pray for your continued interest. May your own efforts meet with success.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 9, 1939

Mrs. Florence M. Collins
P. O. Box 244
Havana, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Collins:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. It is good of you to respond to our appeal for Scholarship funds at this time. We are receiving letters, daily, from worthy boys and girls, begging for an opportunity to continue their education. Your contribution of five dollars brings great relief.

We pray for your continued interest. May your own efforts meet with continued success.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 9, 1939

Mrs. J. N. Robinson
772 Williams Avenue
Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Robinson:

Thanks for your letter of August 5, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Son
Condolence

August 9, 1939

Messrs. Tony and Jim Wright
W. Minnesota
DeLand, Florida

My dear Friends:

The news of the passing of your beloved mother has just reached me, and I am writing at this late date to express my deepest sympathy to the family in the transferring of your mother into the Glory Land. God has given to her long years, and she has given to the world wonderful service.

May her tired soul rest in peace. With deepest sympathy, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

MMB:d

August 9, 1939

Mr. D. W. Thompson,
Advertising Manager
The Palmetto Leader
1310 Assembly Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Thompson:

Thanks for your letter of August 1, calling our attention to the Special Educational Number, whiol will be issued by the Palmetto Leader, September 2, 1939.

We regret our Publicity Budget will not permit favorable consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 10, 1939

Dr. Turner,
Hampton Institute,
Hampton, Virginia

Dear Dr. Turner:

I hate to appear so ignorant concerning the Kiln, but I know nothing about it. Will you kindly let me know about how much it weigh and the size of same. After I have received this information, I will arrange with some of the truck drivers here to pick it up. I am sorry to be of so much trouble to you.

I hope you and Mrs. Turner are having a restful and enjoyable summer.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 10, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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MEMO -

From - Mrs. Bethune

To - ~~Mrs. Mitchell~~
Miss Brown + M

P~~lease have~~ Miss Brown is requested to join Mrs. Bond in setting up the Domestic Science department. Get the shelves in proper order. ~~You may furnish them~~ The Bus. office will furnish cash a ~~few~~ dollars to purchase 5 from the Five and Ten Cents Store, small things for the drawers. Ask Mrs. Bond to write for some charts etc. ~~Have them~~ They are requested to move from the Domestic Science department anything that ~~would show~~ indicate to a ~~new Domestic Science teacher~~ ~~any~~ inefficiency o~~n our part~~ of the Dept. Have Mr. Van Poole and his staff to take the stove out and place it on the outside of the Art building - facing the Cabin. Mrs. Mitchell, will you write to Mrs. Ada Lee - tell her to get ~~herself~~ her Club in readiness for the ~~stove for the Domestic~~ purchase of elec range is required Science department. ~~We need a~~ A large stove ~~sufficient to carry on our~~ work in this department. Also write Mrs. Meigs regarding the ~~money they were to furnish us in helping to secure the stove.~~ And such other things as you would have Mr. Poole and his staff to do while you are away.
Mr. Van Poole

Please have the boys to transfer the things that are now in Mr. Coleman's office to the Alumni Office, Mr. Simpson's office, and have the loom that is in the art department fixed and transfered to Mr. Coleman's office for the sewing department.

August 10, 1939

MEMO -

From - Mrs. Bethune

To - Miss Brown, Mrs. Bond -

Miss Brown is requested to join Mrs. Bond in setting up the Domestic Science department. Get the shelves in proper order. The Business office will furnish cash small things for the drawers from the Five and Ten Cents Store. Mrs. Bond is to write for some charts etc.(~~Mr. Van Poole and his staff are requested to mexe from the Domest~~ic S) They are requested to move from the Domestic Science department anything that indicate inefficiency. Have Mr. Van Poole and his staff to take the stove out of the department and place it on the outside of the Art building - facing the Cabin. Mrs. Mitchell will write to Mrs. Ada Lee - tell her to get her club in readiness for the purchase of the range. A large stove is required.

August 10, 1939

Miss Henrietta E. Levi
408 West Battle Street
Talladega, Alabama

Dear Miss Levi:

Thanks for your letter of August 8, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 10, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mr. John W. Davis, President
West Virginia State College
Institute, West Virginia

Dear Mr. Davis:

Thanks for your letter of recent date, relative to Albert Bethune, Jr. entering West Virginia State in September, 1939.

Albert Bethune, Sr. feels it wise to keep the boy in Bethune-Cookman College his freshman year. For that reason he will remain here during 1939-40.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 11, 1939.

Mr. Albert Dixon
63 East 11th Avenue
Columbus, Ohio

My dear Dixon:

Thank you very much for your letter of August 3rd. I commend you for your ambition to make the best use of your time and training through some employment affiliation.

There is a possibility of our having you at Bethune-Cookman College next year. The position will not pay very much - possibly $50.00 per month, plus board and room, but we are trying to work out an organization whereby our promotion and publicity work may go forward with greatest efficiency and we feel that you could make a real contribution in this field. I shall write you more definitely on this during the last week in August. I feel reasonably sure, however, that our plans along this line will work out satisfactorily.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 11, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mr. M. L. Henderson
506 W. Pine Street
Orlando, Florida

My dear Mr. Henderson:

Thanks for your letter of August 2nd. I am delighted to know that Orlando is to have a Housing Project and that you have filed application for the position of Manager of this project. I am quite sure that with your background and being and old citizen of the community, there should be no reason why your application should not be acceptable.

I am sending a note to the Housing Authority in your behalf. A copy of same is enclosed.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 11, 1939.

Mrs. Rebecca Cooper,
Claflin College,
Orangeburg, South Carolina.

My dear Mrs. Cooper:

I have written to President Randolph concerning and he replied that he would be willing to let you come to Bethune-Cookman College as bookkeeper, if you are agreeable to the change and if it is to your advantage to make it.

We had been informed here that you had it in your mind to make a change of location and since you have been so well recommended, we felt that it would be a fine thing to have you affiliated with us. We need a good bookkeeper and Miss Getzendanner gave us a fine recommendation of you.

I dont know just what salary you are receiving at Claflin. I would like to know just what salary you would require of us here. We have a young woman serving as Cashier, and the duties of the Bookkeeper are purely those of bookkeeping.

Please let me hear from you as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

August 11, 1939

Mrs. Belle S. Moore,
Route 2, Box 600,
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Belle:

I am here at the College for a few days and your letter concerning your lovely birthday gift to me, has been placed before me. I cannot thank you enough for this personal thought of me. God bless you, my friend. It was placed in the endowment gifts, but we are having it withdrawn in order that I may have the pleasure that you intended giving to me.

We have both been fighting upward during the years. You have always been so kind and sympathetic and have opened every possible door that you could for me. I am so grateful to you. I never go into the Girls' Living Room and see that beautiful mirror over the mantle that I do not think tenderly of you.

Please let me know a little of what you are doing at the present time. I want you to always hold on to your beautiful home here. You may need it some day for rest and quiet. Someone told me that you were thinking of selling it.

I hope that I may see you when I am in Daytona Beach again. I would enjoy a little visit with you.

Again, thank you for your birthday thought of me. May God continue to bless you.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 11, 1939

Miss Mae Sue Thompson
Hampton Institute
Hampton, Virginia

Dear Miss Thompson:

Thanks for your letter of August 8, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

Temporarily, we are considering another individual for the position. In the event we find that we cannot use her, we will get in touch with you immediately.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 11, 1939

Mr. Leonce A. Lubin
421 School Street
Goldsboro, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Lubin:

Thanks for your letter of August 4, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 14, 1939

Mr. James W. Sloan
P. O. Box 395
Albany, Georgia

Dear Mr. Sloan:

Thanks for your letter of August 12, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 14, 1939

Mr. Irving W. Bonbright
One Wall Street
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Bonbright:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. Your friendship and help mean so much to us.

We enclose official receipt for same. It is encouraging to have a friend like you to stand by us during these strenuous days. Your contribution of twenty-five dollars brings such great relief. Friends have stood by us nobly during all of these years. We are ernestly asking them to continue to do so until we can secure a permanent endowment.

We pray for your continued interest. May your own efforts meet with continued success.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 21, 1939

Mr. Harry Cardinal Kaine, Jr.
2026 - 13th Street, NW
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kaine:

Thanks for your letter of August 11, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 21, 1939

Miss Lois R. Taylor
900 South Grant Street
Muncie, Indiana

Dear Miss Taylor:

Thanks for your letter of August 14, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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Application folder

August 21, 1939

The Reverend W. H. Holloway
399 Hamilton Avenue
Columbus, Ohio

My dear Mr. Holloway:

Thank you for your letter concerning your daughter Esther. I am delighted to know that she has completed the secretarial course at Franklin University and is now ready to start out on her life work.

I am sorry that my workers for this year at Bethune-Cookman have been secured and there is not a possible vacancy. In order to obtain employment in Washington, it is becoming more and more necessary for one to have a civil service rating. I would advise that she keep her eyes open for the civil service examinations and whenever there is one for which she is qualified, be sure to take it. If I hear of any openings in her field, I shall be happy to let you know.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune
Director, Division of Negro Affairs

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August 21, 1939

Mr. Charles E. Gwynn
2434 Etting Street
Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Mr. Gwynn:

Thanks for your letter of August 18, making application for a position on the staff at Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application, and should any vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 21, 1939

Mr. J. J. T. Wisenant
Box 901
Creighton, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Wisenant:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of fifty-eight cents to our Birthday Club.

We enclose official receipt for same. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 21, 1939

Mrs. Mary Southworth Williams
22 Greenacre Avenue
Longmeadow
Springfield, Massachusetts

My dear Friend:

How good you are to us! I cannot express to you how much your friendship and confidence have meant to us through all of these years of struggle and building.

Bless you for your contribution of three dollars, sent in answer to our recent appeal. This brings such relief to us at this time.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 23, 1939

Mr. Clarence R. White
214 Tea Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. White:

Thanks for your letter of August 21, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 24, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Miss Henrietta A. Tolbert
1714 Ninth Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Tolbert:

Thanks for your letter of August 19, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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August 29, 1939

Mr. Johnny Hodge
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hodge:

Thanks for your letter of August 27, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 29, 1939.

Mr. George Malone
424 South Walnut Street
Florence, Alabama

Dear Mr. Malone:

Your letter of August 25, to Dean Bond, has been considered by our Committee on Students.

We feel that it is wise to hold to our policy of requiring all out-of-town students to live in the college dormitory and board in the college dining hall. It is only in this way that we can give fullest protection to our students.

We regret that we cannot grant this request. We will be glad to allow Alice some NYA aid to help with her board and room expense, but we feel confident that she should live on the campus.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

August 29, 1939.

Mrs. Lea McI. Luquer,
Pine Lodge,
Mount Kisco, New York.

My dear, dear Friend:

It has been some time since we have heard from you, but I know that you are as warmly interested in the College as ever.

Last year was a fine year. We had a graduation class of fifty-eight from the regular session and fifty-nine from the summer session. We are now preparing for the opening of the Fall term September 18th.

You will be interested to know that James Murray, the boy who benefitted from your scholarship during the past two years, completed his work in May. He is such a splendid, conscientious boy - one who had no one in the world to help him. His father is dead and his mother ill. Your scholarship and the work we were able to give him, took care of his full expenses, books and supplies. We found him little jobs in the city at odd times by which he earned some cash for personal necessities.

This year we have an application for such aid from a young woman - equally worthy, equally needy. I pray, my dear friend, that you maycontinue this fine investment. It has meant so much to the boys and girls who have received it.

Maudella Purcell Aaron, who was here for so many years on your scholarship, has made a fine success as a primary teacher. She is to be on the staff of our own Practice School on the campus this year. I know you will be happy to hear this.

There are some hard places and it is very difficult to find money, but we will not become discouraged. We are going forward with the work of endowment as rapidly as possible, securing the smaller gifts until we can make the larger contacts.

Please contimue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Always sincerely yours,

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August 29, 1939.

Mr. Albert Dixon,
63 East 11th Avenue,
Columbus, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Dixon:

We have been able to perfect our plans for our office work, and I am pleased to invite you to fill a position on our staff for the ensuing scholastic year.

Our work in publicity and promotion, local endowment and maintenance solicitation, alumni activity and the business office work have all been combined with the work of the general and President's office, and will be under the direct supervision of the Secretary of the College, Mrs. Mitchell. Mr. Coleman will not be with us this year,as he is accepting a position in Jacksonville, and the entire success of the work in publicity, records and general office routine will center in the Secretary's office. We desire to have every phase of this work carried forward with the greatest possible dispatch and efficiency and we are selecting very carefully our secretarial personnel. We are inviting you to come to us as a member of this staff. We will need for you for publicity, typeing, stenography, mimeographing, sign-printing, for many of the varied tasks that go to make up a busy office. I know your spirit of cooperation and I beli ve that you will be a real asset to the College.

We are not able to offer much to our office workers this year, but we want you to come to us and work yourself up to the place you are capable of filling. For your service, we offer you a cash salary of fifty dollars ($50.00) per month, plus your board and room, for ten months. I should like for you to report for duty by September 5th. If I am not here Mrs. Mitchell will give you the cooperation and direction you need. There is much to be done before the opening of school on September 18.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 31, 1939

Mrs. M. T. L. Gannett
15 Sibly Place
Rochester, New York

Dear Mrs. Gannett:

On July 17, we wrote you acknowledging receipt of your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

Inadvertently, a receipt for Mrs. Parsons was enclosed instead of your receipt. You returned the receipt to us and we have made the correction and are enclosing your receipt today.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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General Correspondence (Outgoing) Sept.- De

September 2, 1939

Mr. George C. Grant, Dean
Morgan College
Baltimore, Maryland

My dear Mr. Grant:

May we express our sincere thanks to you for your letter of recommendation for Miss Bailey Lockett.

We have completed our staff for 1939-40. However, we are filing your letter of recommendation and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we will get in touch with Miss Lockett.

With best wishes for a successful school term, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 2, 1939

Mrs. M. F. Williams
109 Pickerel Street
Carlisle, Kentucky

Dear Mrs. Williams:

May we thank you for your letter of August 25th, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 4, 1939.

Miss Bailey F. Lockett,
1200 Prospect Avenue,
C/o Mrs. Penrose,
Hartford, Connecticut.

My dear Miss Lockett:

I have read your letter of August 28th with full appreciation and understanding. Yours is a fine spirit and I wish so much that we might invite you to fill a place on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

Our staff for the ensuing year is complete and it is impossible to give you consideration . Nor do I know, at this time, of any openings in the Federal field. As you know, the numbers in the Federal work are being cut, rather than enlarged.

Please be assured of my interest in you and of my desire to help you whenever an opportunity presents itself.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 5, 1939

Miss Mary E. Cannon
62 Union Avenue
Cranford, New Jersey

Dear Miss Cannon:

Thanks for your letter of August 31, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 5, 1939.

Miss Bailey F. Lockett,
1200 Prospect Avenue,
Hartford, Connecticut.

My dear Miss Lockett:

Thank you very much for your letter of September 2nd, in which you give, in detail, your qualifications for service. Thank you also for the photographs, one of which we are returning. We will need only one for our files.

In the event an opportunity presents itself whereby you may be considered for work, we will be very glad to release this information concerning you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 6, 1939

P. P. Kellogg & Company Div.
United States Envelope Company
Springfield, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

For many years you have been kind enough to direct the gift of a large consignment of envelopes from your company to our Institution. We have been able to use everyone to the greatest advantage.

We are sending this note to express our sincere gratitude to you for this courtesy that has been extended to our Institution for so long a time and to request the same donation this year. We anticipate a large enrollment and we find ourselves with the same difficult problem of maintenance to solve.

Whatever you will do for us along the line indicated will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 7, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

The Reverend J. B. Cook
347 W. Boundary Street
Gainesville, Florida

My dear Mr. Cook:

Please accept my personal thanks to you and the pastors of your District for your contribution and loyalty to Bethune-Cookman College. May God bless every one of you.

It would give me a great deal of pleasure to be with you at the meetings of the Florida Conference, but because of my heavy schedule it will be impossible for me to come to Florida before the 14th or 15th of September. Please know that you have my prayers and best wishes for successful sessions.

With kindest personal regards to you and the pastors of your District, I am

Very gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

September 6, 1939

Mr. H. A. Moses,
President, The Strathmore Paper Company,
West Springfield, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Moses:

For many years you have been kind enough to direct the gift of a large consignment of paper from your company to our Institution. We have been able to use every piece to the greatest advantage.

We are sending this note to express our sincere gratitude to you for this courtesy that has been extended to our Institution for so long a time and to request the same donation this year. Your gift of paper each year brings encouragement to our efforts as well as help to the budget.

Whatever you will do for us along this line will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 7, 1939

Mrs. Alice E. Holley
1849 Third Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Holley:

Thanks for your letter of September 5, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 7, 1939

Miss A. O. Thomas
47 Ballard Street
Wadesboro, North Carolina

Dear Miss Thomas:

Thanks for your letter September 7, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

The vacancy in our Home Economics department has been filled. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attehtion your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 12, 1939

Mr. Judson L. Cross, President
Tougaloo College
Tougallo, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Cross:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to the Permanent endowment of Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. We are grateful for your interest in Bethune-Cookman and for your thought of us.

We solicit your continued interest and ask that you use your influence whenever and wherever possible in our behalf.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 13, 1939.

Mr. Claude Stone,
P.O. Box 463,
Melbourne, Florida.

My dear Mr. Stone,

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your recent letter requesting information relative to the fees and tuition for a day student.

Tuition and fees for the entire year will amount to eighty dollars ($80.00) for a Freshman College student, payable $40.00 at entrance - $20.00 at the beginning of the Second Quarter (December 9, 1939), and $20.00 at the beginning of the Third Quarter (March 9, 1940).

We are enclosing herewith a Circular of Information so that you may study it carefully. On pages 8 and 9 you will find detailed information regarding fees and tuition. Any additional information you desire, we will be glad to send to you.

We are so happy to know that you contemplate sending your daughter to us. In the event she enrolls here we hope that this year will prove both pleasant and profitable.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Enclosure -
(Circular of Information)

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September 14, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Miss Bertha Keith Payne
Y. W. C. A
4559 South Parkway
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Miss Payne:

Thanks very much for your letter and for the ideas which you have in mind for assisting Bethune-Cookman College. We shall be very grateful for whatever you may be able to do.

I shall possibly be in Chicago sometimes this Fall and will try to see you.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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September 14, 1939

Mr. C. Blythe Andrews
Central Life Insurance Company
1416 North Boulevard
Tampa, Florida

Dear Mr. Andrews:

I would like to see you and talk with you, in fact, I would like to see you and Martin. I wonder if you would drive over one evening. I think it important that I see you and talk with you.

Let me know what evening you will come.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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September 14, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mr. Benjamin F. Leviste[illegible]
52 South Sixth venue
Mount Vernon, New York

My dear Mr. Levister:

I am writing this letter to congratulate you and your board and the friends of the community splendid community work you are doing. These are the days when we need all of the cooperation we can get in building our community and in safeguarding our youth.

I think it is splendid that you are setting [illegible] a Settlement House, and may I say that if any refl[illegible]tions from my life have inspired your desire to name this house in honor of me, I am very happy to grant you the permission to call it the Mary McLeod Bethune Settlement House. If you leave the McLeod out of my name, then you have not my name. There are other Mary Bethunes.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 14, 1939

S. N. Kress & Company
Daytona Beach, Florida

Gentlemen:

As requested in your letter of recent date, we are enclosing a list of names of the teachers of Bethune-Cookman College.

I am sure your samples will be of service to them and will encourage them to purchase larger quanities.

Sincerely yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell,
Secretary of the College.

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Donors

September 14, 1939

Rev. J. B. Cook, District Superintendent
Gainesville-Ocala District
347 W. Boundary Street
Gainesville, Florida

My dear Rev. Cook:

May we express our sincere appreciation to you and the pastors of your District for your contribution of $21.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. We are grateful for your help and for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College. It means so much to have a group of friends, like the Gainesville-Ocala, to stand by us during these strenuous days.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With every good wish for your continued success, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 14, 1939

Rev. S. P. Rutledge
1348 W. 5th Street
Jacksonville, Florida

My dear Rev. Rutlege:

May we express our sincere appreciation to you and the pastors of your District for your contribution of $52.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. We are grateful for your help and for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College. It means so much to have a group like yours to stand by us during these strenuous days.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With every good wish for your continued success, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 16, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Mr. George H. Woods
Bridgeport-People's Savings Bank
Bridgeport, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Woods:

Thanks very much for your letter of inquiry of September 12th.

Melvin J. Chisum was authorized to do a certain piece of work in collecting funds for Bethune-Cookman College. We had a deficit of $7,000 at the end of the fiscal year, and we were putting forth every effort to secure it by the 30th of June or the 10th of July. Mr. Chisum was authorized to solicit for this fund for a designated period. I heard from him twice, but received no funds. For several weeks we have heard nothing concerning Mr. Chisum. Just where he is and what he has accomplished, we do not know. For several years he has worked for Tuskegee Institute and I felt surely that he could be of assistance to Bethune-Cookman College in the imergency.

We felt that we would try him out on this project and if he succeeded and proved himself worthy, we would think in terms of extending his time.

I have written to him calling in the authorization we gave him, but have had no reply. I shall be glad to get any information you may give me.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

September 19, 1939

Bishop H. Y. Tookes
Edward Waters College
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Bishop Tookes:

I am in Florida for a few days and would like very much to see you. We are having the formal opening of school - September 22nd - 11:30 a. m., and I wish very much that you would come down for an hour. This will give me a chance to have a conference with you. Please extend this invitation to President Long and the members of your Trustee Board.

I hope you are well.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 19, 1939.

Dr. Kelsey L. Pharr,
1025 N.W. Second Avenue,
Miami, Florida.

My dear Pharr,

I want to acknowledge receipt of your letter sent by Miss Marie Mackey.

I have had a talk with this young woman and I am favorably impressed with her. We will do everything we can to give her additional aid so that she can remain in school. Just as soon as things are adjusted Mrs. Mitchell will see to it that she is assigned - perhaps we can find something for her to do in one of the homes of our faculty members. However, just rest assured that we will help her.

It is my plan to leave here Sunday afternoon for Washington and I do want to see you before I leave the State - I wish you would put forth a special effort to come up for the Formal Opening Exercises Friday Morning at eleven o'clock. There are many things I would like to discuss with you.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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Trustee

September 19, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Mr. A. L. Lewis
Afro-American Life Insurance Company
105 East Union Street
Jacksonville, Florida

My dear Mr. Lewis:

May I express my personal appreciation and the deep gratitude of our Institution to you for your generous contribution of $100.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for your contribution. You can never know what it means to me to have the friendship of all of you who are standing closely in the line of progress for Negro people. I thank God for my friends - for those who are holding up my hands and giving me renewed strength to carry on.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence whenever and wherever possible in our behalf.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 19, 1939

Mr. J. Raymond Davis
90 Fitzgerald Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Davis:

Thanks for your letter of September 14, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 19, 1939

Rev. C. A. Gibbs
Edward Waters College
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Rev. Gibbs:

Thanks so much for the invitation to be present at the Burning of the Mortgage of Edward Waters College.

I wish it was possible for me to be with you on that date, but I shall not be in Florida. I congratulate our Chancellor and his staff on what is happening at Edward Waters College.

I wish very much that you would come down to our formal school opening - September 22 - 11:30 a. m. I would like to see both you and your Chancellor here on that date.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 19, 1939

Rev. C. R. A. Banks
330 Spruce Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Rev. Banks:

May we express our deep appreciation to you and the pastors of your District for your contribution of $55.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipts for same. We are grateful for your help and for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College. It means so much to have a group of friends to stand by us during these strenuous days.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Annie

September 19, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Rev. O. A. Burns
819 8th Street
West Palm Beach, Florida

Dear Rev. Burns:

May we express our deep appreciation to you and the members of your congregation for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College - reported by Rev. C. R. A. Banks.

We enclose official receipt for same. We are grateful for your help and for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College. It means so much to have a group of friends to stand by us during these strenuous days.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

September 19, 1939

Rev. W. O. Bartley
310 N. W. 11th Street
Miami, Florida

My dear Rev. Bartley:

May we express our deep appreciation to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, reported by Rec. C. R. A. Banks.

We enclose official receipt for same. We are grateful for your help and for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College. It means so much to have a group of friends to stand by us during these strenuous days.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Done.

September 20, 1939

Mrs. Browne Lee
1732 Vermont Avenue
Washington, D. C.

My dear, dear Friend:

May we express our sincere thanks to you for your letter of September 16, containing a gift of $5.00, from Mrs. Annie L. Scott, to our Endowment Fund. We appreciate this more than we can express. We are writing Mrs. Scott, enclosing her receipt, today.

I have been very busy trying to get things in shape for the opening of school. I shall return to Washington within a few days.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 20, 1939

Rev. E. M. Hurley
Pastor Ebenezer M. E. Church
431 West Ashley Street
Jacksonville, Florida

My dear Rev. Hurley:

We are having our formal school opening Friday, September 22 at 11:30 a. m. I shall be most appreciative to have you come down for our opening. I would like very much to have a talk with you and your coming down would give me an opportunity to have a few minutes with you.

Please try to come down if possible.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 20, 1939

Mrs. F. A. Pender
1313 5th Avenue, South
St. Petersburg, Florida

My dear Mrs. Pender:

Your letter addressed to Dean Bond, enclosing money order for $75.00 for Margaret Bain, has been received, and referred to this office for reply.

We enclose official receipt for this amount. It has been so nice to have you so close to the work here. We are indeed grateful to you and the members of your Club for this manifestation of your interest and help in Bethune-Cookman College. Margaret is a very fine girls, and I am sure you will not regret helping her.

I wish it was possible for you to come down for the formal opening of school - September 22nd, at 11:30 a. m. I shall be most appreciative to have you here.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 21, 1939

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Strong, Sr.
1206 West Church Street
Gainesville, Florida

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Strong:

We are enclosing herewith receipts for Hazel and Mable Strong. We are very happy to welcome Mable and Hazel at Bethune-Cookman College. I am sure they will spend their time wisely here.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 21, 1939

Missouri State Employment Service
3000 Locust Street
St. Louis, Missouri

Gentlemen:

Thanks for your letter of September 6.

Our faculty for 1939-40 has been completed. However, we are filing your letter of recommendation and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall get in touch with you regarding some of the people mentioned in your letter.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 21, 1939

Mr. H. A. Moses
Strathmore Paper Company
West Springfield, Massachusetts

My dear Mr. Moses:

We wish to express our deep appreciation to you for your letter of September 12, and for your interest and help. It means so for us to have a friend like you to stand by us during these strenuous days.

We shall look forward to receiving your contribution of paper, which we hope will come within a few days.

May God bless you and may your own efforts meet with success.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 22, 1939.

Miss Mary L. Stone,
375 Walnut Street,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Miss Stone,

The routine investigation has been made and the special permission is granted to you to live in the city with your uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Moses Nixon, at 375 Walnut Street.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 22, 1939.

Miss Ola McGee,
366 Spruce Street,
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Miss McGee,

The routine investigation has been made and the special permission is granted to you to live in the city with Miss Gunn, at 366 Spruce Street.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,
Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 22, 1939.

Miss Bernice Lowe,
556 Loomis Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Miss Lowe,

The routine investigation has been made and the special permission is granted to you to live in the city with your aunt, Mrs. Devoe, at 556 Loomis Avenue.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 23, 1939

President John W. Davis
West Virginia State College
Institute, West Virginia

My dear President Davis:

I rejoice with you, exceedingly, to know that we have been successful in securing one of the Airplane Schools for West Virginia State.

I would like to bring to your attention a man in Orlando, Florida, whose name is Mr. Gus Burton. Mr. Burton has invented a machine to load and unload Air-mail. The intention of this invention is to give to small towns the service of air-mail without landing. He has already been granted a patent and is now bringing out his improvement on the old machine.

It seems to me that a man with this device and a man with this technical knowledge in his mind should be in the hands of someone who can help to guide him to his landing. He is not sufficiently equipped, financially, to complete his work. I would like very much in some way to have you or Mr. Evans to have a conference with [illegible] and see what can be done. Possibly a way can be opened up in your laboratory there. We are sending you a clipping on his achievement taken from the Pittsburgh Courier, January 21. I wish you would think about it.

I am leaving tomorrow for Washington. You can get in touch with me there and see what can be done. I am greatly interested and will use any information or help that I can to help. Negroes of this type needs encouragement and help and backing. I think the time has come for Negroes of means and influence to pay very definite attention to the things that are being brought forward from these minds.

Just know how happy I am that we have our school there.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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P. S. Mr. Burton's Address - P.O. Box 946 - Orlando, Florida

personal

September 25, 1939.

The Housing Authority of the
City of Daytona Beach, Florida.

Gentlemen:

I regret exceedingly that my duties in Washington call me away today. I wanted to have the privilege of being with you in our next business meeting.

May I congratulate you upon the fine way in which our Project is going forward, and upon your vision in the expansion of it. I want to pledge my allegiance to you again and to assure you that I shall do everything in my power to help bring about the realization of our dreams regarding the Project.

I wish to make some recommendations to you, regarding the future personnel for the Project. Please receive these recommendations in the spirit in which they are given.

First of all, I feel that it is vitally important that we have the proper Negro man for the Manager of the Project. I have been giving careful and conscientious study to the possible candidates for this position and for the other positions open to our people. Because I am so interested in the Project and its business success, I am most concerned that we should consider the best possible persons for the work. From my personal contact and knowledge of ability, I recommend to you for the Manager of the Project, Benjamin J. Mitchell. I think he will do a real job for us and I earnestly hope the Authority will join me in granting him an opportunity.

I have been studying four men for the position of Secretary-Bookkeeper - Theodore Faircloth, Harold V. Lucas, Preston Peterson and Julius Neal. I wish that you would study their individual abilities with a view to possible appointment to this post.

I strongly recommend that you put on a Negro man for the work of selling the idea of the Project to prospective tenants.

We should begin now with this work. We need someone who knows the town and knows the Negro people, for this job. I recommend Claude Keys as a man who would do a good job for us in this field.

Please give your earnest consideration to these recommendations.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 26, 1939.

Mr. Wendell Heighton
Postoffice Box 123
South Pasadena, California

My dear Mr. Heighton,

Thank you very much for your letters concerning Mr. Luther King.

While we would like very much to have Mr. King appear for our students this year in one of his delightful recitals, I fear it is impossible to attempt it. Material conditions among our students and our friends in the city upon whom we have to depend for audience for these events,are so unfavorable that we hesitate to bring outside artists to the campus. I am sure you know that I would have our faculty committee consider it, if there was any possibility of success.

I shall try to hear Mr. King at Howard University when he appears there on January 9th. I have been here at the College for the opening and am returning to Washington today.

With best wishes for the success that this splendid Negro artist so richly merits, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Davis

September 26, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Mr. H. R. Williams
H. R. Williams Machine Works
903 North Beach Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mr. Williams:

May we express our sincere thanks to you for your contribution of $25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. Official receipt for same is enclosed. Your contribution of twenty-five dollars brings both encouragement and material aid at this time. It means so much to have our friends to keep their thoughts, their interest and influence in our direction.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 26, 1939

Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer
370 Riverside Drive
New York City

My dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

You have made us so happy. When I received your letter tears of joy rolled down my cheeks. I was like a child again. This gift from your great, big heart expresses your sincere interest in what we are trying to do here.

I announced your gift today at our formal opening of school, and our students and friends almost blistered their hands with applauses. Oh, Mrs. Pfeiffer, this gift will mean so much to us.

I am writing to ask if you will permit us to install this Mason and Hamlin Grand Piano in memory of dear Mr. Pfeiffer. It would be a wonderful thing to have the piano installed in memory of him and the Pipe Organ in memory of Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Sr., the two great philanthropists who have done so much for the people of the world - particularly for the under privileged. I am writing to ask if you will be kind enough to give us permission to do this with an appropriate little ceremony that will mean so much to us. God bless you, my dear.

We had confidence enough in you to ask for the best and you gave it to us. The music from the Rockefeller organ and the Pfeiffer piano will blend together, as the years go by, to sooth and harmonize the spirits of thousands who will gather in our beautiful Auditorium. To say we are grateful would be putting it mildly. Two hundred and twenty-five students and teachers join me in deepest gratitude to you. We love you for your goodness to us.

May God bless you and may your efforts meet with great success.

With gratitude, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 26, 1939.

Mr. Lewis A. Dominis,
1505 Fifth Avenue, South,
Saint Petersburg, Florida.

My dear Mr. Dominis,

We have been trying earnestly, since Rev. Hacker called our attention to your fine qualifications, to so revise our budget in order that we might have your services this year and to organize a fine drum corps. We have such a great need for this type of work in our institution.

We find, however, that we cannot work the project in this year. While we might be able to find funds for a scholarship that would enable you to take the first year of your teacher-training work, it would be impossible for us to purchase equipment needed for the work. We greatly appreciate your suggestions as to the terms that might be secured on such purchases, but we could not carry the additional expense in our accounts, regardless of the fact that payment might be made in the future.

I sincerely hope that you may understand our situation. Had we known of your availability and the possibility of having a band and drum corps this year, we could have planned for it in the early spring and prepared for the expense connected with it. I should like to hear from you again in the spring of 1940. Perhaps we may be able to perfect some arrangements then for the following year.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 27, 1939

Mr. Milton C. Lewis
101 Sterling Street
Greenville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Lewis:

Thanks for your letter of August 29, which I found waiting for me upon my arrival to the College.

I regret it is impossible for us to consider favorably the use of your band for this year.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 30, 1939

Mr. Lawton L. Pratt
525-527 West Beaver Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mr. Pratt:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, which amount has been applied on your pledge.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of ten dollars brings both encouragement and material aid to us at this time. It means so much to have a friend like you to stand by and give material support during these strenuous days.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 30, 1939

S. H. Kress & Company
Beach Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

Gentlemen:

May we express our sincere thanks to you for your sample of school supplies. Your sample of supplies has been of great help to us in our offices. We have instructed our students to purchase their school supplies from your store.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 30, 19[illegible]9

Mrs. Fredrika H. Shackelford
2245 Gardner Street
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Shackelford:

Thanks for your letter of recent date, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. We appointed a strong staff in our Dormitory in the early summer and the work is going forward satisfactorily.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 30, 1939

Miss Marjorie A. Morris
515 W. Eighth Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Miss Morris:

Thanks for your letter of September 29, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We regret we cannot add to the 1939-40 staff, although we do need a woman to teach Physical Education to our girls. We hope to add this member to the staff next year.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Mary McLeod Bethune, *President*
William M. Cobb, *Treasurer*

October 1, 1939

Dear Friend:

We are so happy to find that you are a member of the great Birthday Club of Bethune-Cookman College. Our Club members are located all over the United States of America. It is a joy to us to know that so many friends believe in the idea and are willing to support it.

We are sending to you the greetings and love of our school family in your birth month, with the hope that you may have many other happy birthday anniversaries. Because of the interest that you have manifested in our underpriviledged boys and girls we share with you in your joy on your Birthday.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Birthday contributions
from Mrs. E. M. Noyes
20 Lantana Ter.
Daytona Beach

October 3, 1939

Miss M. Dushuttle
306 Broadway
Methuen, Massachusetts

Dear Miss Dushuttle:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of a box of dresses, aprons and other valuable articles to Bethune-Cookman College. This box of clothing will be so helpful to our unfortunate girls, who do not have anyone to buy their clothing. We have taught them how to renovate old clothing and I am sure they will get a thrill out of renovating the dresses to fit themselves.

We are thankful for this manifestation of your interest in our Institution. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 4, 1939

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to state that I have known Mr. Julian L. Houston for several years and have always found him to be a young man of splendid character and moral standing. He was a student of Bethune-Cookman College and during our close observance of him in this status, we always found him to be straightforward, purposeful and fine.

I am happy to recommend Mr. Houston for any courtesy or consideration due a young man of high moral calibre.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

October 6, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Mrs. Layle Lane
226 W. 150th Street - Apt. 2-J
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Lane:

We wish to express our sincere thanks to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

We are grateful for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering. We have a very large enrollment this year and are looking forward to a great year.

We solicit your continued interest and ask that you use your influence whenever and wherever possible in our behalf.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Sawyers

1812 Ninth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.
October 14, 1939

Mr. W. M. Ritter
115 E. Rich Street
Columbus, Ohio

My dear Mr. Ritter:

Please may I thank you for your kind letter and for your contribution of $25.

I am returning the check to you, asking that you be kind enough to give us this amount for our maintenance instead of the endowment. We need it so very badly today and if we could get this $25 for our general expenses, we will look forward to our endowment later. I remember the literature of the school I gave you was endowment literature, but we are so badly in need of maintenance funds now. Of course if you would rather it remain as it is, it will be all right. If you can, please send the check directly to Daytona Beach.

Thanking you for your interest, I am

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune
PRESIDENT

October 16, 1939.

Mrs. Eva Kelly,
6209 Northwest 18th Avenue,
Miami, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Kelly,

All students in Bethune-Cookman College are required to have a full physical examination as a part of their registration requirements.

Your daughter, Miriam Kelly, passed in all of her physical examinations with the exception of one. Our College physician, Dr. T. A. Adams, reports that there is a mass in her stomach which seems to require investigation. We are therefore requesting you to send Miriam's fare immediately in order that she may come home and have your home physician to examine her thoroughly.

It is important that you give immediate attention to the matter.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune,
President.

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Dues

October 16, 1939.

Mrs. E.H. Bancker,
Hotel Bossert,
Montague Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

My dear Mrs. Bancker,

May we express our deep appreciation for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your contribution of $3.50 to our Birthday Club. We have a growing institution and as our service expands to meet the needs of the boys and girls, we find need for all of the assistance that friends may give to us.

We have entered your donation and enclose herewith our official receipt for same.

Please continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us - use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely and gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Enc- Receipt - $3.50

October 19, 1939

National Blank Book Company,
Holyoke, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

May we express our sincere appreciation to you for your generous shipment of notebooks, note book fillers, pads, etc. which will be of such great use in our office and school supplies store.

It means so much to have a company like your company to stand by and give us material aid during these strenuous days. We are grateful of your continued interest and confidence in our program. You have made a very definite contribution to the progress of our work here.

May God bless you and may your company meet with great success.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Dinners

October 19, 1939

Mrs. Louise Johnson
103 W. 141 Street
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College.

We are especially grateful for your sponsorship and help in the recent effort - "Bethune-Cookman Day at the World's Fair" - and for your contribution of $1.00 to the expense of this event. We were all delighted with the success of this occasion. Without doubt, it brought to Bethune-Cookman College the most valuable publicity that the school has had in many years.

We request your continued interest in behalf of our work. We need the influence of strong friends in the East, to help us meet maintenance needs and build up the permanent Endowment fund.

Bless you for your friendship and your help.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 19, 1939

Mrs. Geraldine Diamond
205 W. 136 Street
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Diamond:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College.

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October 19, 1939

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Faircloth
2588 7th Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Faircloth:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College.

We are especially grateful for your sponsorship and help in the recent effort - "Bethune-Cookman Day at the World's Fair" - and for your contribution of $5.00 to the expense of this event. We were all delighted with the success of this occasion. Without doubt, it brought to Bethune-Cookman College the most valuable publicity that the school has had in many years.

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October 19, 1939

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Robinson
2588 7th Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Robinson:

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Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 20, 1939

Mrs. Sara Price Patten
239 West 131st Street
New York City

Dear Mrs. Patten:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and the members of your Sorority for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College.

We are especially grateful for your sponsorship and help in the recent effort - "Bethune-Cookman Day at the World's Fair" - and for your contribution of $1.00 to the expense of this event. We were all delighted with the success of this occasion. Without doubt, it brought to Bethune-Cookman College the most valuable publicity that the school has had in many years.

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Bless you for your friendship and your help.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 20, 1939

Mrs. S. C. Wells
New York Life Insurance Company
250 Park Avenue
New York City

Dear Mrs. Wells:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and the members of your Sorority for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College.

We are especially grateful for your sponsorship and help in the recent effort - "Bethune-Cookman Day at the World's Fair" - and for your contribution of $1.00 to the expense of this event. We were all delighted with the success of this occasion. Without doubt, it brought to Bethune-Cookman College the most valuable publicity that the school has had in many years.

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Sincerely yours,

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October 21, 1939

Mr. William P. Tolley, Secretary
Educational Association of the
Methodist Episcopal Church
Meadville, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Tolley:

Enclosed is a check for $5.00, membership Fee for the Educational Association of the Methodist Episcopal Church - 1939.

Thanks for calling it to our attention.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Check enclosed

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October 21, 1939

Rev. W. O. Bartley
310 N. W. 4th Court
Miami, Florida

Dear Rev. Bartley:

May we express our sincere appreciation to you for your contribution of $4.00, Conference Collection, to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. We are grateful to you and the members of your church for your interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Sev.

October 23, 1939.

Mrs. Frances E. Bain,
Box 293,
Delray Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Bain;

Thank you very much for your letter of October 11th, and for all of the fine things you have said about our work.

We regret that we cannot give permission for Margaret to live in the City. The College cannot give a fine girl like her the kind of protection that she should have. I feel that with the help that is being given her by the Club that you will be able to keep her in the Boarding Department. This is vitally important for her and I am sure you will do your best to keep her in our dormitory.

I cannot say just when I shall be able to visit you in that section. I hope, however, to spend January, February and March in Florida, and will try to visit you then.

We shall be glad to receive any vegetables that you may send, and if they are in large enough amounts, we will be glad to enter them on our books at the current prices and give credit to Margaret's account.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 23, 1939

Mr. W. H. Ritter
115 East Rich Street
Columbus, Ohio

My dear Mr. Ritter:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College and for your prompt and favorable reply to our request.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of twenty-five dollars brings both encouragement and material aid at this time. While we are putting forth every effort to raise a much needed Endowment for Bethune-Cookman College, we are struggling to meet daily maintenance. The need for funds for daily operation is so great at this time. It means so much to have a friend like you to think of us and give your material aid during these strenuous days.

May God bless you and may your own efforts meet with great success.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 24, 1939

The American Bible Society
Bible House
New York City

Gentlemen:

For many years you have been kind enough to donate a large number of Bibles to our Institution. These Bibles have been of great help to us in our prayer meetings and Sunday school.

We are sending this note to express our sincere gratitude to you for this courtesy that has been extended to our Institution for so long a time and to request a similar donation this year.

We have an enrollment of 228 this year and a gift of two hundred (200) Bibles from you will be of great help to them.

Whatever you may do for us along this line will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Jem

October 27, 1939.

Dr. John W. Davis,
West Virginia State College,
Institute, West Virginia.

My dear Dr. Davis:

I am suggesting Miss Alyce Sayles, of Andover, Massachusetts, for the work in Home Economics that you have mentioned in your letter of October 20th. I understand that Miss Sayles is a first-class worker in her field. We have no better address for her than "Andover, Massachusetts," but the Personnel office of Hampton Institute will furnish you with her complete address.

I am spending some days at the College, and will return to Washington by Tuesday.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 27, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Mrs. L. E. White
1637 - 12th Street
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. White:

May we express our deep and sincere gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Your contribution of five dollars toward our maintenance needs means so very much to us at this time.

You will be interested to know that we have a fine school this year. We have an enrollment of over two hundred splendid boys and girls and are looking forward to a great year. Our great problem is for maintenance funds.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Danner

October 27, 1939.

My dear Mrs. Cannon,

Please allow me to express our deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of one hundred tollars to our work. We deeply appreciate this gift. It brings so much help at this time.

I enjoyed talking with you over the telephone on my last trip to New York. I shall be in New York again on November 3rd and 4th, and if you are there will make an attempt to see you.

Things are going well here at the school. We are just making a brave fight for funds with which to meet maintenance needs. Please continue thoughtful of us. Please use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Mrs. H. W. Cannon,
15 East Sixty-second Street,
New York City.

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October 27, 1939

Mr. Frank D. Baker, Treasurer
Imperial Coal Corporation
Johnstown, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Baker:

May we express our deep and sincere gratitude to you for your prompt response to our appeal and your generous contribution of $100.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. Your contribution of one hundred dollars toward our maintenance needs, means so very much to us at this time.

We enclose official receipt for same. You will be interested to know that we have a fine school this year. There are more than two hundred splendid boys and girls registered in the Junior College and Teacher-Training classes. Our great problem is for maintenance funds. We are putting forth strenuous efforts to provide a permanent endowment for the college in order that this problem may not be so acute.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Done

October 27, 1939

Mr. F. A. Farnsworth
Box 2014
Baboa, Canal Zone

Dear Mr. Farnsworth:

May we express our deep and sincere gratitude to you for your confidence in our work. Your contribution of twenty ($20.00) dollars toward the painting of the residence rooms in the boys' dormitory means so very much to us at this time.

We enclose official receipt for same. Please know that we are grateful for this contribution and for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering. You have made the occupants of Cookman Hall very happy.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

October 28, 1939

Mr. Victor Kauffman
The Evening Star-The Morning Star
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kauffman:

May we express our deep and sincere gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $100.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. Your contribution of one hundred dollars toward our maintenance needs means so very much to us at this time.

We enclose official receipt for same. You will be interested to know that we have a fine school this year. There are more than two hundred splendid boys and girls registered in the Junior College and Teacher-Training classes. Our great problem is for maintenance funds. We are putting forth strenuous efforts to provide a permanent endowment for the college in order that this problem may not be so acute.

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Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 28, 1939

Mr. G. L. Porter, Secretary of Research
The Florida State Teachers' Association
Lincoln High School
Tallahassee, Florida

Dear Mr. Porter:

I am ashamed of myself not to be able to tell you the length of time I served as President of the Florida State Teachers' Association. It has been so long and my duties have been so large and pressing until I do not know how long I served as President, neither can I tell you the names of any persons who have served ten years previous.

I suggest that you write Mr. Crooms, Crooms Academy, Sanford, Florida. He may be able to give you the desired information.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October [illegible], 1939.

Mrs. Carita V. Roane,
200 West 135th Street,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Roane:

I have sent in your name as one who will represent our National Council, at the meeting of the Council Against Intolerance in America, which is to be held at 2:45 o'clock, on November 1st, at the Hotel Roosevelt. Mrs. Gertrude A. McCormick, Administrative Secretary of the Council, will communicate with you, for I have sent your address to her.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 30, 1939

Miss Harriet E. Warrell
Drexel Institute of Technology
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Miss Warrell:

Thanks very much for your letter of October 18th. I am very happy to refer you to Xavier University, New Orleans, Louisiana, attention of the President, for any informa- you desire concerning the Francis A. Drexel Award. I am sure they will be happy to give you the desired information.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 30, 1939

Miss Anne Pridmore,
Executive Secretary
Young Women's Christian Association
344 S. Beach Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Miss Pridmore:

Thanks so much for your letter of October 18th. I remember very well our conference on setting up Girl Reserve Clubs for older Negro girls.

We have two young women here who are interested and who will be of great help to you in setting up Girl Reserve Clubs. The names are - Miss Olivia Hampton and Miss Alseda Hacker. They are very much interested in the work of young people. We appreciate any interest you may manifest in the work we are doing here.

With every good wish for your continued succes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 30, 1939

Miss Corine Eggderton
6224 South
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Miss Eggderton:

Thanks very much for your letter and for your invitation to speak at your church. My hands are so full and my program so exact until I do not know when it will be possible for me to speak at your church.

I am sorry I cannot give you something definite at this time.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 1, 1939.

Miss Mary Jane Willett
National Student Secretary
Young Women's Christian Association
282 Forrest Avenue, Northeast
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Miss Willett:

Bethune-Cookman College is a very small Institution and for this reason we have told the Sponsor of our Young Women's Christian to write you that we cannot pay a per diem for the splendid person concerning whom you wrote. The College would be so glad to provide maintenance for a visitor of this type but we should not be able to do more. Please let us know if our Institution may be considered on the basis as indicated.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Donor

November 1, 1939

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mrs. Stanley P. Benton
93 Crofut Street
Pittsfield, Massachusetts

My dear Mrs. Benton:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your confidence in our work. Your contribution of twenty-five dollars toward our maintenance needs, means so very much to us at this time.

You will be interested to know that we have a fine school this year. There are more than two hundred splendid boys and girls registered in the Junior College and Teacher-Training classes. We have a splendidly-trained, conscientious teaching staff. Our great problem is for maintenance funds. We are putting forth strenuous efforts to provide a permanent endowment for the college in order that this problem may not be so strenuous.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 1, 1939.

Mr. William I. Frothingham
40 Wall Street
New York City

My dear Mr. Frothingham,

You have been more than kind to us for all of these years. You have known of the great struggle we have had in establishing the confidence of prospective friends and you have given your influence to us in every possible manner. I realize that it is through your help that we have received such generous support from Miss White and Miss Frothingham. God gave us a stalwart, strong friend when he gave you to you I just want you to be assured of our gratitude.

The one thousand dollars recently contributed by Miss White meant more to us than I can express to you. It seemed like ten thousand dollars, for it was so greatly needed.

Please know that we are continuing to do this work to the best of our ability, in order that Negro Youth may best be served.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 1, 1939

Mr. Graham Aldis
Aldis & Company
53 W. Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Aldis:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your confidence in our work and for your contribution of $10.00 toward our general scholarship fund. Your contribution of ten dollars toward our scholarship fund means so much to our students at this time.

You will be interested to know that we have a fine school this year. There are more than two hundred splendid boys and girls registered in the Junior College and Teacher-Training classes. We have a splendidly-trained, conscientious teaching staff. Our great problem is for maintenance funds. We are putting forth strenuous efforts to provide a permanent endowment for the college in order that this problem may not be so strenuous.

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Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 1, 1939

President J. W. Holley
Georgia Normal and Agricultural College
Albany, Georgia

Dear President Holley:

We wish to express our sincere gratitude to you for your check for $75.00, Athletic Contract, for 1939-40.

Our boys and Coach expressed themselves as having enjoyed a very delightful stay on your campus. We shall look forward to entertaining your group here next season.

With best wishes for a successful school term, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 2, 1939.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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My dear, dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

We had a most beautiful service of dedication of the new Mason and Hamlin Concert Grand Piano, on last Sunday afternoon.

It has been years and years since Bethune-Cookman has had a new piano and the entire Community turned out to rejoice with us. We had a capacity audience, with friends and Board members from many other States, as well as Florida. Our Young Women's Christian Association had a Recognition Service, in honor of the occasion, and the program, copies of which we enclose, was most impressive.

May we express again, the gratitude of our faculty, students, Board members and friends, for this gracious gift. It is an inspiration to the entire community.

We hope you will try to visit us in February. We plan to have our 34th anniversary celebration in that month and it would mean so much to have you with us for such an event.

With sincere good wishes, I am

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 3, 1939

Mr. John Paulson
1209 Lincoln Drive
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Paulson:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your prompt and favorable reply to our appeal and for your generous contribution of $5.00 toward our general scholarship fund. Your contribution of five dollars means so much to our students at this time.

You will be interested to know that we have a fine school this year. There are more than two hundred splendid boys and girls registered in the Junior College and Teacher-Training classes. We have a splendidly-trained, conscientious teaching staff. Our great problem is for maintenance funds. We are putting forth strenuous efforts to provide a permanent endowment for the college in order that this problem may not be so strenuous.

We solicit your continued interest and ask that you use your influence whenever and wherever possible in our behalf.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 3, 1939.

Diamond T Motor Company
Chicago, Illinois.

Attention of the General Manager.

Dear Sir,

In August, 1939, we purchased a Diamond T Truck Chassis, Model 507, Wheelbase 168", through Mr. Carter, who was the Daytona Beach Dealer for your company at that time. A body was fitted to the Chassis and the whole made a School Bus. I believe Mr. Carter brought it down from Lima, Ohio.

During last year, we made complaints to the local dealer and wrote you for some adjustment on the operation of the Bus. The fuel pumps have had to be replaced twice and although we have traveled only 14,000 miles, the insides of the tires are absolutely gone and we are faced with the necessity of replacing all of six of them. When we bought this Bus, at a cost of about $4,500 we thought that certainly we would get the adjustments that would be needed but we have not been able to do so. The tires were Goodrich 10-ply heavy-duty truck tires, with double tires on the back wheels. The most excellent care has been given the Bus, for it is an expensive piece of equipment.

We would appreciate it very much if you would give us some consideration in the matter of the defects which, obviously, were in the Diamond T Chassis. We were told, when we purchased the Bus, that the Company was reliable and would stand behind their products. It is for this reason that we are writing you direct, in an effort to have some adjustment of the matter made.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 5, 1939

President B. F. Hubert
Georgia State College
Savannah, Georgia

Dear President Hubert:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for the engagements given our boys and for your check for $120.00, athletic contract.

We enclose official receipt for same. Our boys and officials of the team expressed themselves as having enjoyed their stay on your campus. We shall look forward to entertaining you on our campus next term.

With best wishes for a successful term,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 6, 1939

Mrs. Lillian M. Hackett
829 East 167th Street
Bronx, New York

Dear Mrs. Hackett:

Thanks for your letter of October 30, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 6, 1939.

Rev. Robert W. Wells,
1611 Central Avenue,
Tampa, Florida.

My dear Rev. Wells:

Thank you very much for your letter of November 2nd.

We would like so much to help the worthy young woman concerning whom you have written us but all student for the year has been allocated and we have a waiting list of students here who have applied for help in the event that someone withdraws. During the past few years we have been literally swamped with requests for aid. If this young lady will make her application in the late Spring of early Summer we will be very glad to consider her for help next year. In any event, the $60.00 that she has on hand would not be enough cash to pay expenses, even though she had a part-time job. The enclosed circular of information will give you an idea of our charges.

May we thank you for your interest in this young woman and in Bethune-Cookman College. We hope that you will encourage her to come to us next year, when she may be more assured of help and may have a little more cash on hand to help herself.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune,
President.

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November 7, 1939

Rev. George W. Verity
309 Maple Street
Ft. Atkinson, Wisconsin

Dear Rev. Verity:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your gift of clippings, magazines and different drawings to Bethune-Cookman College. These pictures and clippings will be of great help to our students and teachers in the practice laboratory school.

We are grateful for this manifestation of your confidence in our Institution. We solicit your continued interest and ask that you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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MRS. JOHN HENRY HAMMOND
9 EAST 91 STREET
NEW YORK CITY

November 1st,1939

Mrs. Hammond is glad to enclose her check of $5. for the work of the Bethune Cookman College.

November 7, 1939

Mrs. John Henry Hammond
9 East 91 Street
New York City

My dear Mrs. Hammond:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of five dollars ($5.00) to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of five dollars toward our general scholarship fund brings great relief to our minds.

You will be interested to know that we have an enrollment of 250 splendid boys and girls this year. Some of them are begging for help in order that they may be able to remain in school during the second Quarter. We cannot help them all, but we are putting forth strenuous efforts to help the most needy boys and girls.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 7, 1939

The National Council of Negro Women
Mrs. Ollie Porter, President
Metropolitan Area
409 Edgecomb Avenue
New York City

Dear Friends:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of seven dollars seven-two cents ($7.72) to Bethune-Cookman College, which Mrs. Belden has sent down to us.

Your contribution of $7.72 toward maintenance brings great relief to the college at this time.

You will be interested to know that we have an enrollment of 250 splendid boys and girls this year. Some of them are begging for help in order that they may be able to remain in school during the second Quarter. We cannot help them all, but we are putting forth strenuous efforts to help those most worthy. While attempting to efface the deficit from last year, we must keep up this year. The help of friends, therefore, is greatly appreciated.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 7, 1939

Mrs. Edward A. Jones
152 Wendell Avenue
Pittsfield, Massachusetts

Dear Mrs. Jones:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of twenty-five dollars ($25.00) to Bethune-Cookman College.

Your contribution of twenty-five dollars toward our general scholarship fund brings great relief our minds.

You will be interested to know that we have an enrollment of 250 splendid boys and girls this year. Some of them are begging for help in order that they may be able to remain in school during the second Quarter. We cannot help them all, but we are putting forth strenuous efforts to help the most needy and unfortunate boys and girls.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 7, 1939

Mr. Walter Winney, Jr.
1629 - 6th Avenue
Troy, New York

My dear Mr. Winney:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of sixteen cents to our Birthday Club.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of sixteen cents helps us greatly at this time.

We solicit your continued interest, and ask that you use your influence to have some of your friends join our Birthday Club.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 7, 1939

Mr. William I. Frothingham
1 St. Andrew's Lane
Glen Cove, New York

My dear Mr. Frothingham:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your generous contribution of thirty ($30.00) dollars to Bethune-Cookman College.

Your contribution of thirty dollars toward our maintenance fund brings great relief to our minds.

You will be interested to know that we have an enrollment of 250 splendid boys and girls this year. Some of them are begging for help in order that they may be able to remain in school during the second Quarter. We cannot help them all, but we are putting forth strenuous efforts to help the most needy and unfortunate boys and girls, and at the same time trying to meet our daily maintenance needs.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 7, 1939

Mrs. Carita Roane
200 W. 135th Street
New York City

Dear Mrs. Roane:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of two dollars ($2.00) to Bethune-Cookman College, which Mrs. Belden has sent down to us.

Your contribution of two dollars toward maintenance brings relief to the college at this time.

You will be interested to know that we have an enrollment of 250 splendid boys and girls this year. Some of them are begging for help in order that they may be able to remain in school during the second Quarter. We cannot help them all, but we are putting forth strenuous efforts to help those most worthy. While attempting to efface the deficit from last year, we must keep up this year. The help of friends, therefore, is greatly appreciated.

We enclose official receipt for the amount of your contribution. Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 7, 1939

Mrs. Gertrude Robinson
596 Edgecomb Avenue
Newark, New Jersey

Dear Mrs. Robinson:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of five dollars ($5.00) to Bethune-Cookman College, which Mrs. Belden has sent down to us.

Your contribution of five dollars toward maintenance brings relief to the college at this time.

You will be interested to know that we have an enrollment of 250 splendid boys and girls this year. Some of them are begging for help in order that they may be able to remain in school during the second Quarter. We cannot help them all, but we are putting forth strenuous efforts to help those most worthy. While attempting to efface the deficit from last year, we must keep up this year. The help of friends, therefore, is greatly appreciated.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 8, 1939.

Rev. Evan M. Hurley,
431 West Ashley Street,

Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Rev. Hurley:

I just want to express my deepest gratitude to you for your kind letter, and for the desire of the congregation of Ebenezer Church to have me as their speaker on Sunday, November 19th.

My hands have been so full and I have been in many sections of the country during the past month. It is for this reason that there has been a delay in sending a reply to your kind invitation.

I wish that I might be privileged to serve you but on November 19th I shall not be in the State. I hope that you will permit me to serve you during January or February, if a date can be arranged.

I have before me a letter from Mrs. Laura Horrace, chairman of the Program Committee for the Women's Day Celebration, asking that we send Miss W. Gertrude Brown, Director of Women at Bethune-Cookman, to serve in my place, if I am unable to be with you on November 19th. May I say that Miss Brown is a very forceful speaker and would welcome this opportunity to serve our people there. I hope the ladies will accept her in my place.

May God continue to bless the splendid work you are doing in Jacksonville.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 8, 1939.

Mrs. Laura Horrace,
2114 Davis Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Horrace:

May I express my sincere gratitude to you and to your Program Committee for Women's Day Celebration at Ebenezer Methodist Episcopal Church, to be held on Sunday, November 19th.

My hands have been so full and I have had to fill engagements in many sections of the country during the past month. It is for this reason that there has been a delay in replying to your kind invitation.

Nothing would give me more pleasure than to serve you but I cannot do so, for I shall not be in the State on November 19th. I hope that I may be privileged to visit you in the early winter months.

Miss W. Gertrude Brown, our Director of Women, is a very forceful speaker and would welcome the opportunity of serving you in my place. I would be so grateful to you if you would invite her to speak to you on the occasion mentioned.

I am grateful to you for your continued friendship and interest, and to the entire congregation for the thought of me in connection with this occasion.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

General

November 9, 1939.

Mrs. Henrietta Taylor,
1929 Emerson Street,
Evanston, Illinois.

My dear Mrs. Taylor:

Thank you very much for your letter of November 6th.

We should like very much to have your daughter as a student in our Institution but we are unable, this late, to direct any aid toward her expenses. All work opportunities were allocated before the opening of school in September.

It is interesting to know that your daughter wants to take work in embalming. My son has a very modern funeral home and would be agreeable to giving her an opportunity for apprenticeship, but Florida allows only two apprentices to a Home and we have that number, with many on the waiting list.

I am so sorry that I am unable to suggest anything to help her just now.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 10, 1939

Mrs. Lea McI. Luquer
Pine Lodge
Mount Kisco, New York

My dear [illegible]s. Luquer:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your generous contribution of one hundred dollars ($100.00) to Bethune-Cookman College.

Your contribution of one hundred dollars toward maintenance brings great relief to the college at this time.

You will be interested to know that we have an enrollment of 250 splendid boys and girls this year. Some of them are begging for help in order that they may be able to remain in school during the second Quarter. We cannot help them all, but we are putting forth strenuous efforts to help those most worthy. While attempting to efface the deficit from last year, we must keep up this year. The help of friends, therefore, is greatly appreciated. We are thankful for friends like you who have stood by us during these years.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 10, 1939

Mrs. Cora Lane
Sacket Harbor, New York

Dear Mrs. Lane:

May we express our sincere gratitide to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of one dollar toward maintenance brings both encouragement and material aid at this time.

We solicit your continued interest and ask that you use your influence in having some of your friends join our Birthday Club.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 15, 1939

Mrs. Ida Willis
R. F. D. #1, Box 80
Blythe, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Willis:

Thanks for your letter of recent date. In reply I wish to advise you to make application to the W. P. A. area supervisor for work on the W. P. A. Project in your town.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 15, 1939

Miss Ella Taylor
907 South Toomb Street
Valdosta, Georgia

Dear Miss Taylor:

Thanks for your interesting letter of November 13. I am very happy to know that you are in school and trust that you will have a successful term.

We shall be happy to have you enter Bethune-Cookman as a freshman next term. I hope you will study hard and complete your high school work this year.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 15, 1939

Miss Julia Beatrice Hawks
1067 William Street
Elizabeth, New Jersey

Dear Miss Hawks:

Thanks for your letter of November 8, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 16, 1939.

Miss Lorene Worker,
Secretary to Dr. M. J. Holmes,
The Board of Education of
The Methodist Episcopal Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Miss Worker:

In Mrs. Bethune's absence, may we thank you for your letter of November 14th, with report showing gifts totaling $149.00, designated to Bethune-Cookman College for which regular World Service credit was asked.

We have entered these gifts on our Day Book and will send out cards of thanks to the churches contributing.

Sincerely yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell,
Secretary.

November 16, 1939

Mrs. Sarah Lee Fleming
216 Dwight Street
New Haven, Connecticut

Dear Mrs. Fleming:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of twenty-five dollars toward maintenance brings great relief to the college at this time.

You will be interested to know that we have an enrollment of 250 splendid boys and girls this year. Some of them are begging for help in order that they may be able to remain in school during the second Quarter. We cannot help them all, but we are putting forth strenuous efforts to help the most worthy. While attempting to efface the deficit from last year, we must keep up this year. The help of friends, therefore, is greatly appreciated.

We solicit your continued interest and ask that you use your influence whenever and wherever possible in our behalf.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

MARY McLEOD BETHUNE, *President*
WILLIAM M. COBB, *Treasurer*

November 22, 1939.

Mr. Arthur Titcomb,
Farmington, Maine.

My dear, dear Friend,

I hope that you are well and that the fullest blessings of life are yours.

Bethune-Cookman continues to go forward in service to Negro youths. We have a splendid enrollment of ambitious boys and girls this year and we are trying hard to give them the inspiration and the training they need, despite the hard material conditions facing us.

We are having a difficult time in meeting maintenance needs and we hope that our friends will stand by us at this time. I just wonder, Mr. Titcomb, if it is possible for you to send us a donation at this time. Our students are doing their best, but they cannot do enough to meet the day to day requirements of an institution of this kind. Our work is still on somewhat of a missionary basis and we must help them to help themselves. We need funds so badly. Will you help us? The need is so great.

I know you will come to our rescue if you can.

Always sincerely yours,
Mary McLeod Bethune
Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 23, 1939

Miss M. Marita Johnson
211 Kennedy Hall
Hampton Institute, Virginia

Dear Miss Johnson:

Thanks for your letter of November 18, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

The vacancy in our foods department has been filled. We have a fine teacher of foods - a graduate of Hampton. However, we are holding your letter for consideration should an unexpected opening occur.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 23, 1939

Mr. William V. Cabeche
1250 Ferdon Road
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mr. Cabeche:

Thanks for your letter of November 17, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be happy to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

November 23, 1939

Mrs. Mary S. Williams
22 Greenacre Avenue
Longmeadow
Springfield, Massachusetts

Dear Mrs. Williams:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of five dollars toward Maintenance brings great relief to the college at this time.

We solicit your continued interest and ask that you use your influence whenever possible in our behalf.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 23, 1939

Mr. L. J. Field
Field & Wright Company
37 Liberty Street
Jamestown, New York

Dear Mr. Field:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of ten dollars toward maintenance brings great relief to the College at this time.

You will be interested to know that we have an enrollment of 250 splendid boys and girls this year. Some of them are begging for an opportunity to remain in school during the second Quarter. We cannot help them all, but we are putting forth strenuous efforts to help the most worthy. While we are trying to efface the deficit from last year, we must keep up this year. Contributions from friends, therefore, is greatly appreciated.

Please continue thoughtful of us and use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever possible.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 25, 1939

Mrs. George Lilly
1750 North Meridian Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Mrs. Lilly:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your favorable reply to our letter of October 25, and for your generous contribution of $15.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of fifteen dollars brings great relief to the College at this time.

You will be interested to know that we have an enrollment of 250 splendid boys and girls this year. Some of them are begging for help in order that they may be able to remain in school during the second Quarter. We cannot help them all, but we are putting forth strenuous efforts to help the most worthy. While attempting to efface the deficit from last year, we must keep up this year. The help of friends, therefore, is greatly appreciated.

We solicit your continued interest and ask that you use your influence whenever possible in our behalf.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 25, 1939

The Business and Professional Women's Club
Apex School
C/o Mrs. Sara Spencer Washington
Atlantic City, New Jersey

Dear Friends:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of twenty-five dollars toward maintenance brings great relief to the College at this time.

You will be interested to know that we have an enrollment of 250 splendid boys and girls this year. Some of them are begging for help in order that they may be able to remain in school during the second Quarter. We cannot help them all, but we are putting forth strenuous efforts to help the most worthy. While attempting to efface the deficit from last year, we must keep up this year. The help of friends, therefore, is greatly appreciated.

We solicit your continued interest and ask that you use your influence whenever and wherever possible in our behalf.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 25, 1939

Miss Edith N. Goode
1714 N. Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Goode:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $100.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of one hundred dollars toward maintenance brings great relief to the College at this time.

You will be interested to know that we have an enrollment of 250 splendid boys and girls this year. Some of them are begging for help in order that they may be able to remain in school during the second Quarter. We cannot help them all, but we are putting forth strenuous efforts to help the most worthy. While attempting to efface the deficit from last year, we must keep up this year. The help of friends, therefore, is greatly appreciated.

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Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 7, 1939.

Mr. Edward B. Rowan
Assistant Chief
Section of Fine Arts,
Federal Works Agency,
Public Buildings Administration,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rowan:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and to Dr. W. J. Trent for your thought of Bethune-Cookman College in the matter of art prints for our Institution. These prints are very valuable to our Department of Industrial Art and are being displayed as a Study unit for the classes in Teacher-Training. As a part of the program in the Boys' Crafts, the larger pictures will be framed for decorative use in the several classrooms, when the teacher-trainees have completed their use of them.

Again, may we thank you for this very valuable gift of sixty photographic prints, which means so much to us at this time.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

December 24, 1939.

Mr. George L. Oliver,
General Passenger Agent,
Florida East Coast Railway,

Saint Augustine, Florida.

My dear Mr. Oliver,

I just want to commend you for the beauty and the comfort of your new stream-lined train, "The Champion." When I road on it going to Washington and returning, I felt that I was in the far West.

May I extend to the Florida East Coast Railway my sincere congratulations upon this achievement and to express my appreciation for these travel improvements. You have made adequate provision for my people and I want you to know that we are grateful for that.

May success continue to attend the efforts of the Florida East Coast Railway.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 26, 1939

Mrs. Daisy O. Harris
717 Clay Street
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Mrs. Harris:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and the members of the Mass Meeting for your generous contribution of $38.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. We are grateful for your friendship and interest in our Institution. We need friends like you and your group help carry on our program at Bethune-Cookman. We solicit your continued interest and ask that you use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever possible.

With best wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 28, 1939

Mrs. Anne L. Patton
963 Blank Street
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Patton:

Thanks for your letter of November 21, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeld Bethune.

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December 6, 1939

Mr. Clyde McDaniel
210 Glen Avenue
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mr. McDaniel:

Thanks for your letter of December 2, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your application and should a vacancy occour in the near future, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 6, 1939

Mrs. Anna S. Ingraham, Principal
Sparta Agricultural & Industrial Institute
Sparta, Georgia

My dear Mrs. Ingraham:

Thanks for your letter of November 30.

I am very happy to hear of the fine work that you are doing. I pray that your school will continue to grow as the years go by and that you will be given new strength, courage and inspiration to carry on your work. We need people like you to help enlighten and broaden the fields for the youth of today.

We shall be very happy to have you spend your vacation in Daytona Beach. I suggest that you write Mrs. Willis D. Newman, 413 N. Spruce Street, Daytona Beach. Mrs. Newman has a very lovely and quiet home. She has no children and I am sure you will enjoy your stay there.

Please visit Bethune-Cookman while you are in the city.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 7, 1939

Mr. Franklin H. Clapp
950 Hollingsworth Avenue
Lakeland, Florida

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Clapp:

May I express my deep gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your generous contribution of $5.00 toward maintenance.

Your contribution of $5.00 brings such great relief to the College at this time. It means so much to have friends like you to think of us and give us material support in a day like this.

I am very happy to know that you enjoyed my talk over the radio Sunday morning.

It grieves me to know that you have been ill in bed for so long. I pray that God will give you new strength and that you will soon be well again. I do hope you will be able to visit the College before you return. We shall be happy to have you come over one Sunday to our Community Services.

May God bless you and may you continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 8, 1939

Miss Mary De La Torre
230 East Day Street
Orange, New Jersey

Dear Miss Torre:

Thanks for your letter of December 4, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not have any vacancies on our staff at the present. However, we are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the near future, we shall be glad give you every possible consideration.

Thanks for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 11, 1939

Rev. D. Stratford Seadeng
1759 N. W. First Street
Miami, Florida

Dear Rev. Seadeng:

May we express our sincere thanks to you for the two boxes of books sent to Bethune-Cookman College from your library.

The books have been placed on the shelves of our library and I am sure they will be of great help to our students and to the students of the community.

We are grateful for your thought of us and for this manifestation of your interest in the type of service we are rendering.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 12, 1939

Mrs. W. N. Hixon
Route 1, Box 392
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Hixon:

May we express our sincere thanks to you for the clothing given to Bethune-Cookman College. These articles will be of great help to our boys and girls who are not able to support themselves.

We are grateful for your thought of us and for this manifestation of your confidence in the service we are rendering.

We solicit your continued interest and ask that you use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 24, 1939.

Mrs. Gail S. Lynch,
477 Phoenix Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Lynch,

May I just express my sincere appreciation to you for your courtesy and kindness to our party on the occasion of the recent trial in Deland. You were so kind to make us comfortable and to help us in the manner that you did.

This was a very unpleasant experience for the College, but it was greatly lightened by the courtesy of all of the officials of the Court. I just want you to know that we appreciated all of your kindnesses.

May this Yuletide season bring to you and yours the blessings you so richly merit.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 30, 1939

Mr. E. H. Mack
807 Marine Bank Building
Erie, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Mack:

Thanks for your letter of December 2. We are grateful for your interest in our Institution. You have been so good to us.

We shall be glad to receive your contribution next month. It means so much to have a friend like you to stand by the College and give material support during the strenuous days.

I hope you have enjoyed a Merry Christmas and are looking forward to a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 30, 1939

Mr. Robert McCrackin
66 Division Street
Pittsfield, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. McCrackin:

Thanks for your beautiful letter of recent date. I am very sorry to hear of your blindness. Just know that I am thinking of you and praying that you may have an early recovery. Have faith and courage and know that God will take care of you.

I hope you had a Merry Christmas and are looking forward to a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

General Correspondence (Telegrams)

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

Jan. 3-1939

Mildred Ellerbe
Hastings High School
Hastings, Fla.

Will play monday night (boys and girls) fifteen Dollar guarantee.

H. N. Johnson

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DR MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE, PRES=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

MY FATHER PASSED SUNDAY NOON FUNERAL WEDNESDAY JANUARY ELEVENTH TWO OCLOCK=

LAWTON L PRATT.

Mr. Simpson.

Mrs. Mitchell:
Send an appropriate telegram at the time
ms

THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

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MRS BERTHA L MITCHELL=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

EXPECT YOU TO LEAVE DAYTONABEACH TOMORROW AFTERNOON DONT FAIL ME=

MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE.

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Daytona Beach Florida
January 11 - 1939

Mr Lawton L Pratt
Wrightsville M E Church
Edison Avenue
Jacksonville - Florida

Bethune-Cookman College has lost a loyal friend and trustee in the passing of your esteemed father - His encouragement and help have attended our efforts since the founding of the school - We extend sympathy to entire family - May we carry on the work done in his glorious lifetime

(signed) Mary McLeod Bethune

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

Daytona Beach, Florida
January 14 - 1939

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
1812 Ninth Street, Northwest
Washington - D. C.

Have received offer of twenty four hundred dollars for sale of Holly Hill house - four hundred dollars down payment - Wire your reaction

(Signed) Abram L. Simpson

Charge to Bethune-Cookman.

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MRS MARY BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

General

YOUR NEPHEW VERNON GRIFFIN IS IN THE DETENTION HOME HERE. WE HAVE RECEIVED AUTHORIZATION TO SEND HIM TO NEWYORK. HIS MOTHER REPORTED SHE CANNOT FURNISH TRANSPORTATION WE UNDERSTAND HE RAN AWAY FROM YOUR HOME CAN YOU WIRE $13.00 FOR HIS TICKET TO NEWYORK. WIRE=

TRAVELERS AID SOCIETY.

$13.00..

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MRS B L MITCHELL=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

HAD ALREADY COMPLETED ITINERARY TO INSPECT NYA PROJECTS AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS BUT WILL CHANGE TO CONFORM WITH MRS BETHUNES OUTSTANDING ENGAGEMENTS HOW ABOUT THE FOLLOWING DATES FOR PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL NYA BUSINESS TAMPA FEBRUARY FOURTEENTH BRADENTON FEBRUARY FIFTEENTH LAKELAND FEBRUARY SEVENTEENTH RETURN TO DAYTONABEACH FOR WEEKEND SO THAT SHE MIGHT USE SUNDAY AT HOME FEBRUARY NINETEENTH THEN LEAVE FOR WESTPALMBEACH FOR NYA ENGAGEMENT FEBRUARY TWENTIETH MIAMI FEBRUARY 21 THEN BACK HOME ON FEBRUARY 22 WIRE BY WESTERNUNION=

EDWARD R RODRIGUEZ NYA STATE SUPERVISOR NEGRO WORK.

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CLASS OF SERVICE DESIRED			
DOMESTIC		CABLE	
TELEGRAM		FULL RATE	
DAY LETTER	X	DEFERRED	
NIGHT MESSAGE		NIGHT LETTER	
NIGHT LETTER		SHIP RADIOGRAM	

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Daytona Beach, Florida
January 26, 1939.

President J. R. E. Lee
Florida A and M College
Tallahassee, Florida

The youths of the Nation join me in hearty congratulations to you on this your natal day. The thousands of lives you have touched and and inspired will rise up and call you blessed. Continue to build the safe bridges over which millions may pass into the fields of greater usefulness - God bless you, my friend.

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Charge to B C College

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Daytona Beach, Florida
January 27, 1939

Mr. Leroy Sargent
245 West 128th Street
New York City

Same Telegram
also
Mrs. Harriet Sargent
1741 N.W. 4th Court
Miami - Fla.

Jacqueline very ill - Upon physicians advice she has been placed in hospital for treatment -

(Signed) Mary McLeod Bethune, President

CHARGE TO BCC.

WESTERN UNION GIFT ORDERS SOLVE THE PERPLEXING QUESTION OF WHAT TO GIVE.

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TELEPHONE YOUR TELEGRAMS TO POSTAL TELEGRAPH

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All America Cables
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WB37 65 DL XU=NF NEWYORK NY 1213P JAN 27 1939

MRS MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
:NATL YOUTH ADMN 1734 NY NW WASHN DC=

Get accurate list of Nat Women's orgs & write them

:SITUATION MUCH WORSE SINCE WRITING YOU LAST WEEK. CABLEGRAMS HOURLY BARCELONA PARIS DESCRIBING TERRIBLE SLAUGHTER AND DESPERATE WANT. NEGRO PEOPLE SHOULD SEND $1000 THIS WEEK. WILL YOU TELEGRAPH OUR EXPENSE WOMENS ORGANIZATIONS SORORITIES MISSIONARY SOCIETIES SCHOOL TEACHERS START PENNY DIME DOLLAR DRIVE RUSH CASH OUR OFFICE. URGE NANY BURROUGHS JENNIE MOTION JOIN IN AID TO SUFFERING URGE ALL TELEGRAPH LIFT THE EMBARGO WIRE REPLY=

THRYA EDWARDS FIELD REPRESENTATIVE MED BURO.

213P

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JN137 8/11=MIAMI FLO 28 232P 1939 JAN 28 PM 2 53

MRS MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

WIRE BY WESTERNUNION AT ONCE WHAT IS THE MATTER WITH JACQUELINE=
HARRIETT SARGENT.

Septic sorethroat causing rheumatic condition.
Still very ill.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune

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Daytona Beach, Florida
February 6, 1939

Mrs. R. A. Grant
1821 Myrtle Avenue
Jacksonville, Florida

The students and teachers of Bethune-Cookman College join me in expressions of heartfelt sympathy to you in the passing of that great leader - Bishop R. A. Grant - The/inspired service he has rendered the Church and his fellowmen will ever live in the hearts of his fellowmen in Florida and America - May your sorrow and your shock in his passing be tempered with gratitude to God for his life - Know that we are praying for you

(NL- Charge to B-C.C) Mary McLeod Bethune

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JN344 25 NL=IRONCITY GA 9   1939 FEB 9 PM 11 50

MRS B L MITCHELL=
CARE BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

REGRET DELAY IN RETURNING HAVE HAD DIFFICULTY SINCE LEAVING CAN SEE MY WAY NOW WILL REPORT TO WORK MONDAY ADVISE MRS BETHUNE AND MR SIMPSON=

ETHEL L RICHARDSON.

TELEGRAPH YOUR
VALENTINE
Greetings
by WESTERN UNION

TIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

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JN26 47 NL=ATLANTA GA 9

MRS MARY MCCLOUD BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

CAN COME SATURDAY MORNING AND SPEND DAY THERE STOP MUST BE BACK IN ATLANTA SUNDAY MORNING STOP IF SUCH A SHORT TIME PROFITABLE ENOUGH SHALL COME STOP IF YOU DEEM ONE DAY TOO SHORT A TIME PLEASE WIRE ME STOP OTHERWISE SHALL ARRIVE AT TEN SATURDAY MORNING=

JAMES P BRAWLEY.

arrange to Come

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Daytona Beach, Florida

February 10, 1939.

Dean James P. Brawley
Clark University
Atlanta, Georgia

Will need you for longer period than one day - Please arrange to come later date -

(Signed) Mary McLeod Bethune

Charge to B-C College.

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Daytona Beach, Florida
February 11, 1939.

Miss Josie Roberts
C/o Miss Emma McBride
6293 Northwest 17th Avenue
Miami, Florida

Reports and vouchers received - Good - Contact immediately Mrs. Harvey, Miami Battle Creek Sanitarium for engagement

(Signed) Bertha L. Mitchell

(Dayletter - Charge to BCC)

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922 55 NL 26 EXTRA=JACKSONVILLE FLA 14 558P

MRS MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

THANKS FOR GREETINGS WARM WELCOME AND HEARTY COOPERATION EXTENDED BISHOP TOOKES WHO TAKES HOLD WHERE OUR FALLEN HERO BISHOP GRANT LEFT OFF TRUST YOUR ILLNESS IS OVER=

A P POSTELL C S LONG MRS A E HEATH J S JOHNSON
C A GIBBS E J JACKSON W G ALEXANDER MRS G B GARDNER
S C BAKER.

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General

Daytona Beach, Florida
February 14, 1939.

Mrs. Joanna C. Snowden
4941 South Parkway
Chicago, Illinois

The National Council of Negro Women, the National Youth Administration and Bethune-Cookman College all join me in extending greetings to you - You have been a grand champion of the cause of womanhood and humanity - We join the throngs of women everywhere in congratulating you upon your marvellous service - Our hearts are with you on this festal testimonial day

(Signed) Mary McLeod Bethune

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Reversed

Daytona Beach - Florida
February 16, 1939

S. Atkinson
Umatilla, Florida

TRUCK WILL BE THERE FRIDAY TO COLLECT FRUIT.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE.

Abram L. Simpson

Dispatched 2:24 P.M.
Charges reversed

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Received at 122 [illegible] Avenue, Daytona Beach, Fla.

JN77 42 DL=TAMPA FLO 17 931A

FEB 17 AM 10 34

BERTHA L MITCHELL=
BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE

JUST BEEN INFORMED BY TRIBUNE REPORTER THAT MORE THAN 2,000 WERE TURNED AWAY FROM JAM PACKED BUILDING WHICH HEARD MRS. BETHUNE LAST NIGHT. THE LARGEST NEGRO GATHERING IN THE HISTORY OF TAMPA. VERY RESPONSIVE TO OUR QUEEN AND HER ADDRESS WAS MATCHLESS=

C BLYTHE ANDREWS.

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JN15 100 NL=TAMPA FLO 16

1939 FEB 17 AM 12 16

MRS BERTHA MITCHELL=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

4000 OVERFLOWED BEULAH CHURCH TONIGHT AND CHEERED DR BETHUNE FOR MORE THAN ONE HOUR IN THE GREATEST ADDRESS OF HER LIFE. DR BETHUNE WAS MASTERLY IN THE PRESENTATION OF THE SOUND PRINCIPALS WHICH MAKE FOR STRONG RACIAL MANHOOD AND WOMANHOOD. THE TREMENDOUS CROWD WAS DEEPLY AFFECTED WITH THE MAJESTY OF HER ADDRESS AND THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IS GRATEFUL TO HER FOR COMING TO IMPRESS SO DEEPLY ON THE HEARTS OF OUR PEOPLE THE FINE MESSAGE OF ENCOURAGEMENT. MANY OF OUR GOOD WHITE

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FRIENDS JOINED IN THE TREMENDOUS APPLAUSE WHICH REECHOED THROUGHOUT THE AUDITORIUM AS SHE CONCLUDED HER RICH ADDRESS=
C BLYTHE ANDREWS.

4000.

STANDARD TIME INDICATED
RECEIVED AT
114 MAGNOLIA AVE.
DAYTONA BEACH
FLORIDA

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FORM 16

JE28 15=UD ATLANTA GA 18 1010A

ABRAM L SIMPSON, ACTG PRESIDENT=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE DAYTONABEACH FLO=

=RELET FIFTEENTH MACHINE NOT YET RECEIVED WIRE OVER WHAT ROUTE SHIPPED AND DATE=

PURITAN CHEMICAL CO=

Sent Monday morning, Feb. 13 by freight
on Florida East Coast.

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COPY OF WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

Daytona Beach, Florida
February 18, 1939

Puritan Chemical Company
Atlanta - Georgia

Machines returned Monday morning February 13 by freight Via Florida East Coast

Abram L. Simpson
Bethune-Cookman College

Dispatched 2:30 P.M.
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Daytona Beach, Florida
February 18, 1939

Miss Lillian Hines
4406 Indiana Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Important that I have you come to me at once to take over Business office - Ross leaving today - Hindrances you fear will be removed in due time - We need you immediately

(Signed) Mary McLeod Bethune

Charge to BCC

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JNC49 37 DL COLLECT=CHICAGO=ILL 19 1011A

DR MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE= charge
THE BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

DEAR DOCTOR BETHUNE I THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED INTEREST. UNDER EXISTING CIRCUMSTANCES, IT SEEMS TO ME, THAT IT WOULD BE MORE UNWISE THAN EVER FOR ME TO RETURN NOW. WITH EVERY GOOD WISH, SINCERELY YOURS=

LILLIAN HINES.

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1939 FEB 19 PM 3 01

JNC87 5 COLLECT=NEWYORK NY 19 242P

MRS MARY M BETHUME= 7

BETHUMES COOKMAN COLLEVE

JUST OPERATED VERY SERIOUS=

L MINNIS.

408

TELEPHONE No.
TELEPHONED
TIME DELIVERED
BY M. TO
ATTEMPTED TO DELIVER

del 3pm

do not fone -

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Sent

Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida
February 21, 1939

Mrs. Mayme Anderson Pratt
239 West 131st Street
New York City

Received wire stating Flossie needs another transfusion - Please go to Harlem Hospital and talk with her physician - Wire her condition now and your advice as to what I should - Very difficult for me to find additional funds to send but will do my best

(Signed) Mary McLeod Bethune

Charge to BETHUNE-COOKMAN.

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1939 FEB 20 PM 7 33

JN329 13 COLLECT=FZ NEWYORK NY 20 643P

MRS MARY BETHUNE= Chy
CARE COOKMAN COLLEGE

FLOSSIE HAD TRANSFUSION MORE BLOOD NEEDED STILL WAITING TO HEAR FROM YOU=

L MINNIS.-67 W.137th St

Received ~~another~~ wire stating Flossie needs another transfusion - Please go to hospital and wire condition

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JN115 8 COLLECT=SUMTER SOCAR 22 1209P 1939 FEB 22 PM 12 51

MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE= 60+3
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

NO INSURANCE ON FLOSSIE LETTER WILL FOLLOW=

HATTIE B WILSON.

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JNH53 19 DL=TAMPA FLO 25 353P

1939 FEB 25 PM 4 27

DR MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

HAVE DR. HUGHES TO SEND HIS CHECK ON IN CASE APPLICATION BLANKS DO NOT ARRIVE IN TIME. VERY IMPORTANT=

G D ROGERS PRESIDENT.

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JN170 30 DL=TALLAHASSEE FLO 28 107P [illegible]

DR MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

I WROTE ASKING YOU TO BE MY GUEST SPEAKER AT COUNTY WIDE MEETING WEDNESDAY MARCH 1ST PLEASE LET ME KNOW PLANS HOPE YOU WILL BE ABLE TO BE WITH US=

ALICE W POOLE HOME DEM AGENT.

Annual meeting
Fed. & Demonstr.
March 1st
County [illegible]

Regret that
~~[illegible]~~
[illegible]
Mrs. [illegible] Brewster
will represent
me bringing
[illegible]
you

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February 28, 1939

Mr. V. L. Estes
Division Passenger Agent
Southern Railway
241 W. Forsyth Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Can you furnish reservation for Dean Brawley of our school - Jacksonville Atlanta tonight on Kansas City Special or Royal Palm - Wire collect also give instructions -

Mary McLeod Bethune

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CLASS OF SERVICE DESIRED			
DOMESTIC		CABLE	
TELEGRAM		FULL RATE	
DAY LETTER		DEFERRED	
NIGHT MESSAGE		NIGHT LETTER	
NIGHT LETTER	✓	SHIP RADIOGRAM	
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Daytona Beach, Florida.
March 1, 1939.

Mr. A. L. Lewis,
Afro-American Insurance Company,
105 East Union Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Splendid annual meeting just closed - We deeply regretted your absence because of illness - Entire Board sends greetings and best wishes for speedy and complete recovery

Board of Trustees
Bethune-Cookman College

Chg. to BCC

THE QUICKEST, SUREST AND SAFEST WAY TO SEND MONEY IS BY TELEGRAPH OR CABLE

CLASS OF SERVICE DESIRED

DOMESTIC		CABLE	
TELEGRAM		FULL RATE	
DAY LETTER		DEFERRED	
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Bishop Charles W. Flint
313 Sarto Avenue
Coral Gables, Florida

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CLASS OF SERVICE DESIRED	
DOMESTIC	CABLE
TELEGRAM	ORDINARY
DAY LETTER	URGENT RATE
SERIAL	DEFERRED
NIGHT MESSAGE	NIGHT LETTER
NIGHT LETTER ✓	SHIP RADIOGRAM

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Copy for Mrs Bethune

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To Mr C. C. Stanton 3/1 1939

Street and No. 224 Lamont Drive

Place Decatur, Georgia

President Bethune and I desire your return as soon as possible to handle financial office until about March fifteen when Miss Getzendanner will arrive to handle work until June 30. Please wire President Bethune your plans.

M. J. Holmes

Sender's address for reference

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Sender's telephone number

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JN44 6 TOUR=ATLANTA GA 2 648A

1939 MAR 2 AM 9 13

PRES M M BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

WILL ARRIVE DAYTONA TOMORROW MARCH THIRD=
C C STANON.

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JN132 11=ORLANDO FLO 7 1143A

1939 MAR 7 PM 12 00

MARY BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

CAN YOU GIVE ME AN ANSWER RE BANQUET? REPLY WESTERNUNION COLLECT=

HENRY REDKEY PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

(collect)

Regret inability to serve
Mary B.

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JN21 51 NL=BATONROUGE LA 6

[illegible] MAR 7 AM 7 24

MRS MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE, PERSONAL=

MRS ROOSEVELT PASSING WITHIN 500 FEET OUR CAMPUS WEDNESDAY MORNING SUPPLICATING YOUR WIRING HER AT NATCHEZ MISSISSIPPI URGING HER GRANTING OUR REQUEST DRIVE THRU CAMPUS REQUIRES ONLY THREE MINUTES GIVE OPPORTUNITY ON OUR 25TH FOUNDERS DAY CELEBRATION THAT WILL NEVER RECUR IN OUR LIVES GLADLY PAY MESSAGE REFUND AND OTHER COSTS=

FELTON G CLARK.

500 25.

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CLASS OF SERVICE DESIRED			
DOMESTIC		CABLE	
TELEGRAM		FULL RATE	
DAY LETTER	X	DEFERRED	
NIGHT MESSAGE		NIGHT LETTER	
NIGHT LETTER		SHIP RADIOGRAM	

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Daytona Beach Florida
March 7 - 1939

Mrs Eleanor Roosevelt
Natchez - Mississippi

Tomorrow morning you will pass within five hundred feet of our largest Negro college of that area - Southern University - It will warm the hearts of thousands of Negroes for you to just drive through the campus - Two or three minutes of your time will mean a lifetime of inspiration to them - Please do this - God bless you

(Signed) Mary McLeod Bethune

CHG- BCC
4:50 p. m. -

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Daytona Beach, Florida
March 7, 1939

COLLECT

Mr. Henry Redkey, Chairman
Program Committee
Room 300, Vocational School
Orlando - Florida

Deeply regret my inability to serve as speaker on Twenty-first

(Signed) Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Daytona Beach, Florida
March 7, 1939.

Miss Etta Moten
3507 S. Parkway
Chicago, Illinois

Testimonial Banquet honoring Mrs. Bethune to be held here March 17th eight pm - Wire if you can be in state to be present this occasion -

(Signed) B. L. Mitchell, Secretary

CHG. TO BCC

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BY DIRECT WIRE FROM

WESTERN UNION

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DAY LETTER INSTITUTE WVIR MARCH 3, 1939

MRS. MARY McLEOD BETHUNE
DIRECTOR DIVISION OF NEGRO AFFAIRS
NATIONAL YOUTH ADMINISTRATION
1340 G STREET, N. W.
WASHINGTON, D. C.

URGE YOU TO ACCEPT INVITATION NOW EXTENDED TO ADDRESS MAMMOTH WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION HERE ON NIGHT OF APRIL THIRTIETH. WOULD WANT YOU TO REMAIN OVER FOR EDUCATIONAL EXPOSITION BEGINNING HERE ON MAY FIRST, WHICH WILL FEATURE NATIONAL YOUTH ADMINISTRATION ACTIVITIES. MEETINGS NOW MENTIONED STATE-WIDE IN SIGNIFICANCE. MOST ANXIOUS FOR YOU TO SERVE. WILL BE ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF YOUR EXPENSES. WIRE FAVORABLE REPLY.

SIGNED,

JOHN W. DAVIS

DAY LETTER PAID

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CLASS OF SERVICE DESIRED			
DOMESTIC		CABLE	
TELEGRAM	☐	FULL RATE	☐
DAY LETTER	☐	DEFERRED	☐
NIGHT MESSAGE	☐	NIGHT LETTER	☐
NIGHT LETTER	☐	SHIP RADIOGRAM	☐

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March 8, 1939

Mrs. Francis Balazs
Acting Dean of Women
Rollins College
Winterpark,, Florida

Shall be happy to have Dr. Yarros visit us over week end -

Wire time of arrival.

A. C. Jackson
Bethune-Cookman College

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JN106 10=MIAMI FLO 13 1020A

1939 MAR 13 AM 10 33

MRS BERTHA MITCHELL, SECRETARY=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

INFORMED FATHER CULMER DID NOT RECEIVE HIS LETTER PLEASE CHECK=

KELSEY PHARR.

1025 NW. Second Ave.

Sent Father Culmer at 1732 NW 3rd Avenue 100 letters March 8th First class mail Inquire Postoffice Postage Due section

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March 13, 1939

Mr. Kelsey Pharr
1025 Second Avenue N. W.
Miami, Florida

Sent Father Culmer at 1732 NW. 3rd Avenue 100 letters - March 8th - First class mail. I require postoffice postage due section.

B. L. Mitchell

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1939 MAR 15 PM 3 07

JN227 6=TAMPA FLO 13 242P

MRS BERTHA M MITCHELL=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

=SEND TWELVE TESTIMONIAL INVITATIONS FOR BANQUET=
G D ROGERS PRESIDENT.

Sent
[illegible]

CLASS OF SERVICE DESIRED

DOMESTIC		CABLE	
TELEGRAM		FULL RATE	
DAY LETTER		DEFERRED	
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March 15, 1939

Mrs. Charlotte Hawkins Brown
Palmer Memorial Institute
Sedalia, North Caolina

COME FOR FRIDAY NIGHT TESTIMONIAL - I NEED YOU

MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE

STRAIGHT TELEGRAM
CHGD TO B C C

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DaytonaBeach - Florida
March 16, 1939

Dr M J Holmes
740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

Please send men for twenty-third and twenty-fourth - I will remain

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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DAY LETTER	DEFERRED
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March 18, 1939
Daytona Beach, Florida

Mr. Miron A. Morrill
First Methodist Church
Mount Vernon, Illinois

I can remain here through 26 - reach here if possible 23 - work can be done 24-25. Wire if you are coming.

Mary McLeod Bethune

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RECEIVED BY PRIVATE
WIRE FROM
POSTAL TELEGRAPH
114 MAGNOLIA AVE.
DAYTONA BEACH
FLORIDA

STANDARD TIME INDICATED
IN THIS MESSAGE

Postal Telegraph

Mackay Radio
Commercial Cables
All America Cables
Canadian Pacific Telegraphs

Say
"THANK YOU"
by
POSTAL TELEGRAPH
Ask for a list of suitable messages
25¢
20¢

Form 16 PW

JE3 36 NL=LH SPRINGFIELD ILL 17

MRS MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=

BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE DAYTONABEACH FLO= 1939 MAR 18 AM 7 54

HAD PLANNED TO DRIVE TO DAYTONABEACH CANNOT LEAVE CHGO TILL TUESDAY AFTERNOON MARCH 21. ARE YOU AT HOME AFTER MARCH 24 OR LATER THIS SPRING PLEASE WIRE COLLECT SATURDAY FIRST METHODIST CHURCH MTVERNON ILL CORDIAL REGARDS=

MIRON A MORRILL.

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Daytona Beach, Florida
March 20, 1939.

Mrs. E. L. Richardson
1692 Hiram Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Have just received your letter dated March 16th - Mrs. Simpson and Mrs. Bethune attending meeting in Tallahassee, returning Thesday night - We extend deepest sympathy in your bereavement

B. L. Mitchell -

NL -

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Received at 708 14th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

CFA385 10 COLLECT=SUNTER SOCAR 22 735P

1939 MAR 22 PM 7 46

MRS MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=

1812 9 ST NW WASHDC=

WIRE $15 AT ONCE IN TROUBLE YOUR SISTER=

HATTIE WILSON.

[illegible] TILL FRIDAY 930P PPC

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MESTIC		CABLE	
TELEGRAM		FULL RATE	
DAY LETTER		DEFERRED	
NIGHT MESSAGE		NIGHT LETTER	
NIGHT LETTER		SHIP RADIOGRAM	

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May 25, 1939.

Mr. Bill Robinson
2588 Seventh Avenue - Apartment 2-B,
New York City

We rejoice with you today that another year is added to mark your marvellous contribution to American Art - The Race and the Nation are proud of your greatxxx talents, of your big heart and your generous philanthrophy - Our warmest congratulations

(Signed) Mary McLeod Bethune

Dayletter - Charged.

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Received at 122 Orange Avenue, Daytona Beach, Fla.

[illegible] APR 7 [illegible] 11 59

JN125 CAK=JACKSONVILLE FLO 7 1147A

MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
CARE BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

WIRE DATE ALL SPACE FOR TENTH SOLD CAN FIX EITHER 9TH OR 11TH ANSWER=

V L ESTES.

Passenger agent
So. Railway
241 W. Forsyth

Thanks for kindness—Have ~~arranged~~ made other arrangement
MMB

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Received at W. U. Bldg., 7th & Walnut Sts., Kansas City, Mo. TELEPHONE VICTOR 8411

CB84 151 DL=DAYTONABEACH FLO 1 1117A

MADAME MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
2130 EAST 24 ST KS[illegible]

IT IS UNFORTUNATE THAT LOCAL NEWSPAPERS SEEKING ONLY THE SENSATIONAL SHOULD HAVE PLACED ON THE PRESS WIRES OF THE NATION THE ALLEGED STORY OF A LYNCHING IN DAYTONABEACH LAST SATURDAY. AS THE INFORMATION THAT HAS ALREADY REACHED YOU WILL CORROBORATE, IT WAS NOT A LYNCHING IN ANY SENSE OF THE WORD BUT MERELY THE KILLING OF A NEGRO BY TWO EMOTIONAL YOUTHS WHOSE BROTHER HAD THAT MORNING BEEN KILLED BY A SPEEDING TAXI CAR DRIVEN BY THE SAME NEGRO. THE UNTRUTHFUL REPORT WILL DO MORE HARM TO DAYTONABEACH THAN ALL THE CONSTRUCTIVE ADVERTISING THAT CAN BE DONE BY THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OR OTHER ORGANIZATIONS FOR MANY MONTHS. I TRUST THAT YOU, BECAUSE OF YOUR HIGH POSITION AS A NEGRO LEADER, WILL OFFSET AS BEST YOU CAN THE INIQUITOUS REPORT. MY ONLY INTEREST IS THAT OF FAIR PLAY AND THE PROTECTION OF THE CITY IN WHICH YOUR WONDERFUL SCHOOL IS LOCATED=

T E FITZGERALD.

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JN149 14=CN KANSASCITY MO 2 145P [illegible] 13

MRS BERTH MITCHELL=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

SEND DR HOLMES CARE METHODIST UNITING CONFERENCE PICTURES POSTCARD CATALOG LITERATURE OF COLLEGE IMMEDIATELY=
MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE.

BERTH.

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JN103 CAK=JACKSONVILLE FLO 2 1220P

[illegible] MAY 2 PM 12 28

MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=

LOWER 13 IN DRAWING ROOM A CAR F-124 SKYLAND 9.20 P.M., 6TH FOR MINNIE BRADY TO ASHEVILLE. ONE-WAY RAILROAD TICKET JACKSONVILLE-ASHEVILLE, $14.35; LOWER, $3.95. SEND CHECK FOR $18.30 AND WILL MAIL RAIL AND PULLMAN TICKET TO YOU=

V L ESTES.

13 A F-124 9.20 P.M. 6 $14.35 $3.95 $18.30.

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CLASS OF SERVICE DESIRED			
DOMESTIC		CABLE	
TELEGRAM	☐	FULL RATE	☐
DAY LETTER	☒	DEFERRED	☐
NIGHT MESSAGE	☐	NIGHT LETTER	☐
NIGHT LETTER	☐	SHIP RADIOGRAM	☐

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Daytona Beach, Fla - 5/619 39

To Mr V L Estes - General Passenger Agent

Street and No. Southern Railway - 241 West Forsyth Street

Place Jacksonville, Florida

Mrs Minnie Brady for whom you issued Southern Railway ticket No A 4012, Jacksonville to Asheville, and Pullman Lower Berth 13 in Car 124 very ill - Unable to leave tonight as planned - Please advise by collect wire what procedure should be followed to have dates on ticket and reservation extended - Cannot give exact date now when she can leave -

(signed) Mary McLeod Bethune

Charge to BCC

Cost of Wire - $0.47

Sender's address for reference

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1939 MAY 6 PM 12 23

MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

RETURN TICKETS TO ME FOR CANCELLATION WILL SEND YOU CHECK FOR REFUND BE NECESSARY ISSUE NEW TICKETS LATER DATE WHEN PARTY LEAVES=

V L ESTES.

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WB43 10=SAVANNAH GA 11 1028A

MRS MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

WILL BE PLEASED TO SERVE YOU ON MAY 30TH THANKS=
BENJAMIN F HUBERT=

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JNB25 5 COLLECT=ATLANTA GA 21 847A

MRS BERTHA LOVING MITCHELL=
ch BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

ARRIVING 12 MIDNIGHT MONDAY=
MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE.

Mr Simpson
[illegible] Board

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[illegible]NB65 11= WINTERHAVEN FLO 21 615P

BUSINESS OFFICE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

PLEASE LET GERTIE CUNNINGHAM HAVE EXAM CHECK FOR BALANCE IN MAIL=

J W CUNNINGHAM.

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JNC153 50/54 DL=CINCINNATI OHIO 24 615P

MAY 24 PM 6 32

MRS BERTHA MITCHELL=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

[illegible]

I WROTE MRS BETHUNE ASKING IF IT WOULD INCONVENIENCE THE SCHOOL IF I REMAINED HERE UNTIL MAY 31 TO ATTEND IMPORTANT CHURCH MEETING WHERE I AM AN OFFICER HAVE HEARD NOTHING MISTER STANTON WILL BE LEAVING THIS WEEK CAN YOU TAKE CHARGE OF FINANCES UNTIL I REACH THERE JUNE SECOND ANSWER COLLECT VIA WESTERNUNION=

Ans - (other side)

MAY GETZENDANNER.

341A Cheviot Ave.

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Mrs. Bethune answered you letter Tuesday - We will ~~[illegible]~~ carry on until your return -

B. Mitchell

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May 25, 1939.

President C.S. Long and Faculty,
Edward Waters College,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Trustees, faculty and studdnts of Bethune-Cookman College join me in sending congratulations upon your commencement - Hope you had successful closing

(Signed) Mary McLeod Bethune

CHARGE TO BCC

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Congratulations

[illegible]

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JNC68 21=JACKSONVILLE FLO 30 1227P

[illegible] 30 PM 12 38

PRESIDENT MCLEOD BETHUNE=

BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

AM INDEED SORRY I CANT ATTEND THIS COMMENCEMENT. TRUST YOU HAD A SUCCESSFUL YEAR. MAY GOD SHOWER HIS BLESSINGS UPON YOU=

LAWTON W PRATT.

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JNC156 17 COLLECT=TAMPA FLO 2 548P

MRS D L MITCHELL=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

MRS GRIFFIN HEADQUARTERS IN BARTOW ADDRESS UNKNOWN PROBABLY HAS GONE TO HUSBAND IN NEWYORKCITY AT PRESENT=

ALFREIDA J PRINCE DAVIS.

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COPY OF WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

July 5, 1939

Mr. Charles Chestnut, Sr.
138 W. Boundry Street
Gainesville, Florida

Have Rev. Leroy Hacker call me up - important.

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 11, 1939

Mr. John Artis
805 West Carter Street
Orlando, Florida

Report at once for work.

B. L. Mitchell
Bethune-Cookman College

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Daytona Beach, Florida
July 15, 1939

President William Sims Allen
Stetson University
Deland, Florida

Bethune-Cookman College
~~Our~~ summer session will close Saturday morhing, July 22nd, 10 o'clock - Cordially invite you to deliver commencement address at that time - Such service will be great inspiration to our students and faculty

James A. Bond, Director

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REV C LEROY HACKER=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

SHALL I PREPARE TO COME WHEN ANSWER BY WESTERNUNION COLLECT=

LEWIS A DOMINIS 1505 5TH AVE SO.

1505 5

WESTERN UNION GIFT ORDERS SOLVE THE PERPLEXING QUESTION OF WHAT TO GIVE

Form 75-C

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MONEY ORDER NOTICE

Money Sent by Telegraph and Cable to All the World

DAYTONA BEACH, FLA.
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DAYTONABEACH FLO OCT 21 1939 19
OFFICE DATE

No. B119

To MRS BERTHA L MITCHELL
MR., MRS. OR MISS

BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE
ADDRESS

TELEPHONE No.
TELEPHONED

We have received a telegraphic money order for you with the following message:

FOR IRENE LANIER BILL

Will you please call at our office, 122 ORANGE AVE to receive the money as soon as possible and in no case later than 72 hours since at the end of that time we are required to cancel the order and return the amount to the sender.

Please bring this notice with you and also satisfactory evidence of identity such as some of the following:

Membership cards	Bank book
Receipted bills	Automobile license
Letters addressed to you	Western Union collect card

or any other documentary evidence you may have.

Bring This Notice With You

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

Western Union Telegraph Company,

Please deliver to bearer, in sealed envelope, Money Order as indicated on opposite side of this sheet.

Thanks.

Bertha L. Mitchell

Form 3300C

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DAYTONA BEACH, FLA 1939 OCT 22 PM 5 59 193
OFFICE DATE

No. B119

To MRS BERTHA L MITCHELL
MR., MRS. OR MISS

BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE
ADDRESS

TRANSIT TIME OF THIS MONEY ORDER
MINUTES

The Money Order paid you herewith is from NELLIE LANIER
NAME

at FTLAUDERDALE FLO and included the following message:
PLACE

FOR IRENE LANIER BILL

Receipt No. 5524
10/23/39

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BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE= Chg 48t
ATT MRS BERTHA MITCHELL

MRS BELDEN ANXIOUS SHOW SCHOOL MOVIES SUNDAY. MUST HAVE TITLES. PLEASE WIRE SEVEN DOLLARS TODAY MY ONLY CHANCE TO ASSEMBLE REELS. OUT TOWN FRIDAY SATURDAY=

J RICHARDSON JONES.

WESTERN UNION GIFT ORDERS SOLVE THE PERPLEXING QUESTION OF WHAT TO GIVE

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November 29 - - . 9 9 - - 19 39

To Mr. G. D. Rogers,

Street and No. Central Life Insurance Company

Place Tampa, Florida

Dean Bond advises that we have Bradenton Home Economics group visit the College December 15th - On December 8th will be in the midst of first quarter examinations and school activities will not be sufficiently attractive for visitors - Please notify us immediately if this date will be acceptable.

Bertha L. Mitchell.

Charge to Bethune-Cookman College.

Sender's address for reference

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Sender's telephone number

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DAYTONA BEACH, FLA. OFFICE 193 DATE 1939 DEC 4 PM 12 13

No. JN6

To BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE
MR., MRS. OR MISS

ADDRESS

TRANSIT TIME OF THIS MONEY ORDER
MINUTES

The Money Order paid you herewith is from VIOLA BROWN BROPKPARK FLO
NAME

at
PLACE
and included the following message:

BALANCE ON EIGHTH

Dareatha Marie Brown
Grove Park, Fla.

14^00
Bal
1st quarter

Receipt
5983
12/4/39

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THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

General Correspondence (Incoming) Jan. - April

326 Beakes Street
Ann Arbor, Michigan
January 1, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
President of Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

As the director of my group, a civic organization for interracial relations, of this city, I am writing to learn the terms upon which your services may be secured to speak before such groups, clubs, auxiliaries or even church societies.

We are very desirous of having you come to our city in the very near future; hence we desire at your earliest convenience to know a date which you might be able to give us, and the terms upon which your engagements are made.

It is possible that you may be in the

state of Michigan sometime soon. Should such be your plans will you kindly inform me when and where.

Trusting that you will give ours club's wish your careful consideration, and that we may hear from you at your earliest possible convenience, I am

Very truly yours,

(Mrs) Eva A McComas.

Director of Civic Interracial Group

Ann Arbor, Mich.

THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF AUGUSTA GEORGIA
AUGUSTA, GEORGIA

OFFICE
606-7 MARION BUILDING

SUNSET HOMES
1600 Block Linden Street

January 2, 1940

Send photographs & short resume.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman Junior College
Daytona, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

We are not taking credit for a new idea but we do feel that the following thought is at least worthwhile in its possibilities.

Here, at Sunset Homes, we plan to develop a library of pictures of members of our group who have achieved in many and varied ways. It is our impression that a collection of pictures of our leaders will have a greater inspirational value for our children than a similar gallery of leaders of another group.

Because of your outstanding contributions to civilization, during our time, we feel that such a library would be incomplete without your photograph.

Will you send us your photograph and enclose an autobiography, if possible? You may rest assured that the results will be far reaching, and in keeping with the message, "Even as you do unto the least of these, My brothers, you have done unto Me."

Thanking you for permitting us to annoy you with this request, and assuring you of a constant, sincere welcome at Sunset Homes, we are

Very truly yours,

Samuel L. McCoy

Samuel L. McCoy
Resident Manager
SUNSET HOMES

Association of Business Officers in Schools for Negroes

Secretary's Office
Box 224, Howard University
Washington, D. C.

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January 4, 1940

To Members of the Association of
Business Officers in Schools for Negroes

Gentlemen:

This letter concerns two or three things that should have your immediate consideration.

1. Please mark your calendar now and make all the arrangements to be at Tuskegee Institute for the meeting, Thursday, March 28, to Saturday, March 30, inclusive.

2. Please give me the names of the president and business manager of two or three institutions, not now members of our association, who can be invited to the Tuskegee meeting as intended members.

   When you send me the names of these persons, please write to each person yourself and urge that their membership be paid at once to secure copy of last year's proceedings.

3. Send me without more delay any subjects for inclusion on our program which you have not already sent.

   If you have a problem of your own on which you are working, please do not hesitate to mention this. The only way we can secure interesting and worthwhile programs is to have the cooperation of each of our members.

4. You should have at this time copy of the minutes of the Midwestern Association for May 1939, and copy of the minutes of the Western Association for December 1938. If you have not received your copy of either of these minutes, in addition to the proceedings of our own Association, please let me know at once.

A happy and successful New Year to each of you.

Very truly yours,

V. D. Johnston.

Secretary

John Prout
2211 Pearl Street
Columbus, Indiana

January 4, 1940.

Send
information
Sent

Cook-Bethune School,

Daytona Beach, Florida.

Gentlemen:

Would you be good enough to give me such information on the life and work of Mary McLeod Bethune as I can use in a Sunday School adult class discussion?

I know you people are very busy and are probably troubled a great deal with such requests as these - and I hope this request will not inconvenience you too greatly. We folks in Indiana perhaps know too little about the great work of your school and its founder, Mrs. Bethune.

Jan 23/
1940

A self-addressed and stamped envelope is provided for your reply for which I thank you.

Sincerely,

John Prout

John Prout.

20 Park Ave
Apt 11.E. c/o J Braunstein

Jan 6 – 40.
New York City

My dear Mrs Bethune;

I have a young colored girl in whome I am very much interested and who has a marvelous voice. She has been working very hard all the years with no encouragement trying to support herself, and I feel that it would be a good thing for those of us who recognize talent to take an interest in her. I would like you to hear her for I feel sure that whatever I say about her voice could not possibly mean as much as hearing your-self. She has a most glorious soprano voice and I am hoping you would give her an opportunity to sing in a recital down there this winter. She needs experience, we are preparing her for the concert stage. I have, from time to time, been able to interest various persons in providing opportunities for her and they have been enthusiastic in their praise of her. I know that you are a busy person, but I am asking that you spare a few minutes from your busy life to help another individual. Will you be so kind as to do this for me? If you will just have her sing for you, I am sure you will not feel that the time has been wasted.

Sincerely,

Helen Hammond

P.S. Please excuse this letter
I am sick in bed. By the way
this young woman is from
Jacksonville, Fla

Tampa Fla.
Jan. 5, 1940

Dr. M. M. Bethune, Pres.
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach Fla.

This is to inform you that on Sunday Night during the session of the So. Fla. Conference will be Bethune-Cookman Night and you or your representative the Speaker. Hoping that you and the College Choir will be able to attend. See Program

Yours truly
H. P. Holmes Pastor
Bowman Methodist Church

524 George Street
Daytona Beach, Fla.
January I5-I940

Madam Mary McLeod Bethune
Director, Division of Negro Affairs
AND
President Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

MY Dear Mrs. Bethune:

Prayerfully, I try to write this note to you pleading that you help me get a position as Assistant Manager to the Pine-Haven project.

I am a native born citizen of Daytona Beach, and I have had considerable experience working around Large Apartment houses in New York City, particularly.

A little note or remark to Mr. Merrell or any of those who are in authority will do so much to help in appointing me to the desired position.

I am an active member of The Mt. Zion A. M. E. Church in New Town, where the Rev. Pinkney is pastor.

There are many small children of school age in my home and the house in which we now reside has holes in it as large as my head. Please help me to get the appointment to Pine Haven project so that I may be able to help someone to higher standards of living.

Very Truly,
Daniel Hudson

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January 17, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Co-worker:

You are doubtless aware of the fact that one of the five organizations for which the National Education Association appoints a cooperating committee is the American Teachers Association. As suggested by President Amy Hinrichs in the November issue of the NEA JOURNAL, all the NEA Committees are composed of core committees of five members each and of a group of advisory members representing each of the states. The Core Committee meets at least once each year and the larger committee meets at the time of the NEA summer and winter conventions and otherwise is asked to react to matters handled through correspondence. President Hinrichs announces in the January issue of the NEA JOURNAL that the five members of the Core Committee of the Committee to Cooperate With the American Teachers Association are Dr. S. L. Smith of Nashville (Chairman), Miss Mildred Babcock of New York City, Dr. N. C. Newbold of Raleigh, Dr. Garnet C. Wilkinson of Washington and Miss Fannie C. Williams of New Orleans. A total of 92 persons from 46 states have accepted membership on the Committee. The Core Committee has already met and has set out on a very helpful program as a contribution to be made through the two associations to the cause of the education of Negroes.

The American Teachers Association is asked to appoint a parallel committee from its membership as a means of broadening and intensifying the cooperative service. The Core Committee for the remainder of this year has been named from the Executive Committee and includes the president, the secretary, the treasurer, Mrs. Burch of the Board of Trustees and Dr. Patterson of the Elected Lay membership of the Executive Committee. From five to eight other persons in each of 21 states are being asked to accept membership on the larger advisory committee which will be called upon for advice and suggestions through correspondence for assistance in stimulating the most wholesome professional service of the American Teachers Association and for participation in such conferences as may be held this year incident to the annual meetings at St. Louis (The American Association of School Administrators) at Milwaukee (The National Education Association) and at Pine Bluff (The American Teachers Association).

I herewith invite you to accept membership on this ATA Joint Committee with the NEA Committee to Cooperate with the American Teachers Association. I shall appreciate your reply within the next ten days in order to facilitate our determination of the accepted membership of this committee for this year.

Yours very truly,

Carrington L. Davis,

Carrington L. Davis, Presid

37th Annual Meeting, Pine Bluff, Arkansas, July 23-26, 1940

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January 17, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Datona Beach, Florida

Dear Co-worker:

The Executive Committee is now about the job of developing the program for the 1940 session of the American Teachers Association which will be held at Pine Bluff, Arkansas, July 23-26. There is the desire to have another well-planned program centered around a vital theme which will be of immediate value to our membership and will incorporate both the discussions and the participants which will prove most satisfying and most helpful. DURING THIS MONTH OF JANUARY, we are inviting suggestions through correspondence that may reflect the interest and thought of such responsible members of the association as yourself. Won't you send us a letter or note in which you offer your suggestions for the program for the 1940 meeting?

It has been of interest to note the themes of the recent meetings which I now set down here:

1939 at Atlantic City..	THE ROLE OF THE SCHOOL IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF CHARACTER
1938 at Tuskegee:......	THE NEGRO YOUTH LOOKS AT OCCUPATIONS IN AMERICA
1937 at Philadelphia ..	MEETING THE NEEDS OF THE INDIVIDUAL
1936 at Atlanta	EDUCATION AND HEALTH
1935 at Tallahassee ...	THE EDUCATION OF THE NEGRO FOR THE CREATI DEVELOPMENT AND PROPER USE OF DIVERSIFIED VOCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES
1934 at Baltimore	A NEW PROGRAM OF EDUCATION FOR COLORED SCHOOLS IN BUILDING A NEW AMERICA
1933 at Louisville	EDUCATIONAL ADJUSTMENT TO ECONOMIC DEMANDS
1932 at Montgomery	THE TEACHER OF THE NEGRO CHILD
1931 at Washington	FACTUAL AND CRITICAL STUDY OF EDUCATION AS IT AFFECTS NEGROES ... THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
1930 at Petersburg	THE PRESENT STATUS OF TAX SUPPORTED SCHOOLS FOR NEGROES IN AMERICA
1929 at Jackson(Miss.).	EDUCATION FOR ECONOMIC EFFICIENCY
1928 at Charleston(W.Va.)	A STRONG ASSOCIATION AND AN EFFICIENT TEACHER TO SERVE THE CHILD

For the 1940 session at Pine Bluff, the suggestion has already been advanced that the theme center around one of the fundamental purposes of education in our American Democracy as pronounced by the Educational Policies Commission of the National

Education Association. There has been another suggestion that the theme center very closely around some of the immediate practical problems which relate to the status and immediate objectives of the education of Negroes. There is still another proposal that our association this year give attention to the issues of professionalization of teaching as they comprise the several current movements to achieve for teachers the recognized earmarks of a profession with the resultant benefit to the children and to our society ... and as they include the appraisal of our organizational resources and our possible techniques for realization of a more wholesome status for the education of Negroes in this American Democracy.

What is your suggestion? An informal letter at your earliest convenience this month will be welcomed.

Yours very truly,
Carrington L. Davis,
Carrington L. Davis, President

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January 18, 1940

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN:

The Gavagan-Fish Anti-Lynching Bill (H.R. 801) passed the House of Representatives on January 10 by a vote of 252 to 131.

Now comes the job of passing the companion measure--the Wagner-Van Nuys-Capper Bill (S.845)-in the Senate; and here is where every democracy-loving citizen needs to gird himself for the fight.

The necessity for getting action on the Anti-Lynching Bill in the Senate cannot be overestimated. The enemies of the Bill in the Senate are intent on holding protracted hearings in order to stymie action on the measure until Congress is ready to adjourn.

The N.A.A.C.P., therefore, urges every citizen to write to his senator telling him that we want these hearings on the Anti-Lynching Bill held speedily and the Bill brought to a vote on the floor of the Senate.

There are enough senators who want this Bill to pass to get it passed once the Bill gets to the floor; but we must be prepared for a filibuster. The second thing, therefore, that we want you to tell your senator is to vote for cloture (limitation of debate) when the Bill comes up for a vote after it has been released from the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, President of the National Council of Negro Women, is most anxious to have the women of the Council cooperate in the efforts for passage of this measure.

Walter White
Secretary

Association of Business Officers in Schools for Negroes

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January 18, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

Your name has been referred to me by Mr. Charles C. Stanton, Business Advisor on Accounts, The Methodist Schools for Negroes.

He has indicated that you are interested in having your school become an active member of the Association of Business Officers in Schools for Negroes.

I write to urge that you pay your membership fee for the current year now, in order that you may receive copy of our printed proceedings and such other material that may be sent to members from time to time. We are now preparing for our annual meeting March 28-30 inclusive, at Tuskegee Institute. We would be very happy to have you attend this meeting as an active member, rather than as a visitor.

I am enclosing copy of letter dated January 4, which was sent to each member institution. I trust that you can find it possible to send us your check for $10.00 covering the current membership fee, together with such suggestions as you may have in mind.

With best wishes, I am

Very truly yours,
V. D. Johnston
Secretary

mdw

J. RICHARDSON JONES
Cinematographer
Box 176
Atlanta, Georgia

January
. 21, '40

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Founder-President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach
Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

My several letters to you have gone unanswered, but knowing something of your very crowded schedule, have not felt neglected.

Learning of Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt's contemplated visit to Bethune-Cookman College, I deem it an excellent opportunity to gather some unprecedented and invaluable film sequences.

Will you please give me your reaction to such a possibility?

Very sincerely,

Richardson Jones

J. Richardson Jones

Acknowledge
letter, Tell her
the matter is being
referred to
our
College
Religious
Committee

32 Snyder Street
Toms River, New Jersey
January 28, 1940

Mary Mc Leod Bethune
Daytona
Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune,

It may be that some of your students would be interested in forming a new religious society aiming to adjust the old faith to modern problems of occupational life and the home. The message of the Church is still largely a call to those outside needing to profess allegience to Christianity. Surely there is also needed some new message of health and comfort and hope to those who have long loved and tried to follow the teaching of Jesus. This message is found in the Book of Revelation. The works of Emanuel Swedenborg, Christian Science, Unity and New Thought have made a beginning in the interpretation of this book, the meaning and use of which has remained so strangely and effectively sealed throughout the Christian Centuries. I am making a last attempt in America to find a group of readers who would like to study and work out the meaning of this marvellous work, and to discover for themselves how its teaching is effective in daily life. It is not for the satisfied Christian, it is for the searcher, the puzzled one who understands why it is not always wise to put new wine in old bottles. If any of the students in your college would care even to consider and investigate this subject, I will mail a manuscript copy containing short daily lessons for the months of January, February and March. Believe me, those who take the trouble even to copy these pages, will by no means find themselves unrewarded. This book should be self-supporting. It does not need endowment or contribution from any who are unable to realize its practical helpfulness.

I hope that I will hear from you.

Very truly yours,

Gertrude E. Knox

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615 Rosedale Avenue
Johnstown, Pennsylvania
January 29th, 1940

Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune
Pres. Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

My dear Dr. Bethune:

Blessings of God be upon you and yours.

The Second Quarterly Visitor of Bethel A.M.E. Church this city is being dedicated to my father, Dr. Joseph W. Jarvis, who is now in Cuba as the Supt. of African Methodism.

Prominent persons of both races and of church and state are joining with us in paying a tribute to Dr. Jarvis.

The honoree has given over forty-five years of service to gospel work in Porto Rico, United States, Canada and now in Cuba.

Dr. Bethune, it seems to me that you and my father have been close friends for years. I know that he would be pleased to note an expression in this special number from you.

It would be most pleasing to have you extend a brief greeting to him to be included in this edition of our Quarterly.

We have heard from a large number of outstanding characters and expect to hear from a number of others including Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, The First Lady of the Land.

As we expect to go to press within the next two weeks it is hoped that you may find it convenient to respond.

Thanks in advance for your consideration.

Yours for service,

J A Jarvis

(Rev.) James A. Jarvis

P.S.-Your humble servant is in his seventh year as pastor of the local parish which is his first pastoral assignment since graduation from Wilberforce in 1933.-----J.A.J.

Tell her to write to WPA office Mississippi

3213. 13 Street
Meridian, Miss.
Jan, 29, 1940

Dr. Mary Mcleod Bethune,

My Dear Mrs Bethune.

I know that you are a very busy & must be very good, because I have been directed through a dream to write you & explain my case.

First of all I will say that I am not begging, because I am able, willing & ready to work if given a chance. I am a widow 33 yrs old & have an old mother who is also a widow & 78 yrs old & almost an invalid not being able to do anything for herself. I am her sole support

I was working on a W.P.A. project in a lunch room, This unit of the lunch rooms which was the only Colored in Lauderdale County was Closed 4 Months ago. We were promised transfers & instead we received a 403 & have been out of work every since.

I went to the welfare & tried to get her on there as I could'nt get any work, but they would'nt take her said that I was able to work for her. I told them that I has alway worked for her & would rather work than for them to have to help, but I couldn't get any thing to do & my Mother was suffering for food, medicine & fire & that's why I had to come to them, but was told that there was nothing that they could do, I have also had at least a dozen or more of our best white citizens to write letters asking them to give me work on account of my Mother's Condition My pastor has made several appeal but so far I haven't heard any thing & I go to them at least every other day through all of this ice & snow some days we havent had fire so I am asking you if there is any way that you can help me to get work so I will be able to care for my Mother the little while that she has to live I shall be ever gratful. any thing will do even if I am given a pick & shovel I will do my best. Thanking you in advance for any thing that you might do I am

Lula Smith

J. RICHARDSON JONES
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Box 176
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JANUARY
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Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Founder-President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach
Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune :

Acknowledging your letter of January 25, permit me to acquiesce that the event of the Thirty-fifth anniversary of Bethune-Cookman College - particularly in view of Mrs. Roosevelt's visit - will be a grand opportunity for pictures.

Further, natural-color movies of the affair will be a splendid addition to your present set of pictures, and despite the fact there will be other photographers present (who will shoot the pictures they want), we should get the scenes we most desire for Bethune-Cookman.

In the interim I am soon to release another news-feature - NEGROES IN THE NEWS - presenting to the general public via the theatre screens several Negroes of leading importance, and am very anxious to have you included inasmuch as you are indeed our "First Lady", and if I am able to get 'shots' of you for NEGROES IN THE NEWS at the same time we get the natural-color movies of the Thirty-fifth anniversary, then I can tie-in the two at a nominal cost.

In other words I will come to Florida for you and make natural-color movies of Mrs. Roosevelt's visit for the sum of $50.00, and will make sequences for NEGROES IN THE NEWS (also showing Mrs. Roosevelt and anniversary scenes) for an additional $50.00, or a combination of the two for the sum I generally charge ($100.00) for the latter sequence (see photostat of letter from President Patterson).

NEGROES IN THE NEWS (which will be a theatre release) will include besides yourself, President Patterson, Major Wright, C. C. Spaulding, and Bishop David Sims.

Please give me your immediate reaction and advise the exact date of the Thirty-fifth anniversary. Also return the photostat copy for my files, please.

Sincerely yours,

J Richardson Jones
J. Richardson Jones

First Atlantic National Bank of Daytona Beach
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R. E. NIVEN
PRESIDENT

February 2, 1940

Mme. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Fla.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Dear Madam Bethune:

This will introduce to you my good friends Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. McKay, who are very anxious to meet Mrs. Roosevelt personally. I shall very much appreciate any courtesies shown them by you.

Sincerely yours,

R E Niven
R. E. Niven

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REFER TO:
DEA-295-CCC

General

HEADQUARTERS DISTRICT "I" C.C.C.
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER

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FORT MOULTRIE, S. C.
February 5, 1940.

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President,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Sir:

The Colored CCC Camps of this District are in need of qualified Negro enrollees to serve as Company Clerks. Qualifications required are: (1) Must be able to type at a speed of approximately 40 words per minute and (2) Should be willing to serve in the CCC for a two-year period. Ability to use shorthand not necessary but would be advantageous.

Enrollee Company Clerks in the CCC Camps usually receive a salary of $45.00 per month, plus clothing and board.

In the event you have any students who would desire to be considered for this particular work, request that you send their names and qualifications to this office at the earliest possible date.

If the students recommended by you for enrollment in the CCC are acceptable to this office, we will contact the State Selecting Agency concerned, requesting that they contact the students regarding enrollment in the CCC.

Your cooperation in this matter will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Lamar R. Plunkett
LAMAR R. PLUNKETT
District Educational Adviser

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February 8, 1940.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Daytona Beach,
Florida.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:-

Would it be permissable for me to attend the conference to be held in your school on the date of Mrs.Roosevelts address. I would like to bring with me some of our Interracial Committee, both of the Woman's Club and Y.W.C.A. I believe it would do much towards bringing about a closer race understanding in Jacksonville.

May I hear from you at an early date. I am speaking before a group of club women on Interracial Relations and would like to tell them of this compliment paid by you and your school by our first Lady.

Wishing you every good in this work, I am

Sincerely,

Nell Rose Jones
Mrs. Walter S. Jones,
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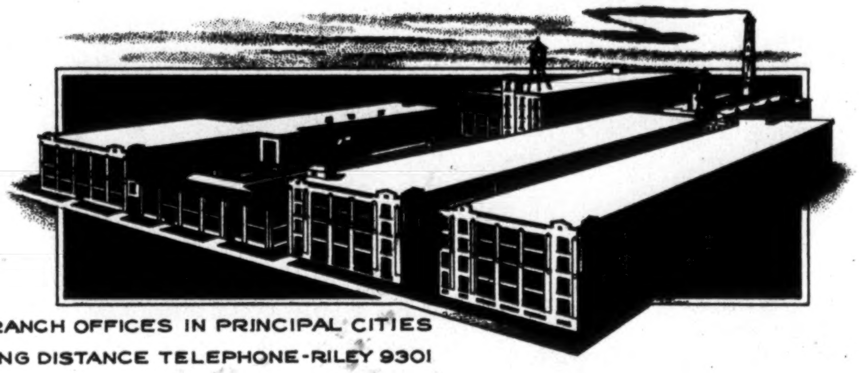

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To the faculty members:

Our factory representative, Mr.E.B. Bennett, formerly with the Afro-American Life Insurance Co., will call at your college this week.

Mr. Bennett will be glad to show to you our new spring and summer line consisting of ties, socks, shirts, underwear and a beautiful array of the very finest quality in silk lingerie.

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Sincerely,

Carl H Kilbourne

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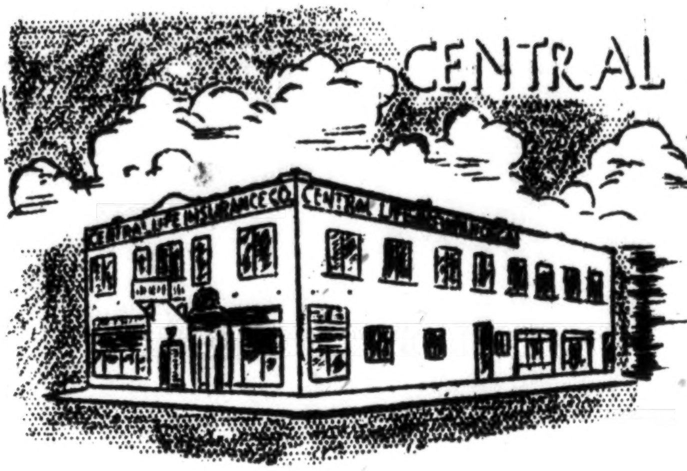

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Dr. Mary M.Bethume

Tampa,Florida

Dear Dr.Bethume:

I wish to express to you my sincere feeling toward our beloved, and efficient President G.D.Rodgers. We hope and trust in the meeting of election of officers of Stockholders that they will feel as we do as stockholders of this company.I feel that there could be no greater leader than Mr.G.D.Rodgers,as being an insurance worker, and manager of the Pensacola District for several years.I feel that he is the best president I have ever witness.

When I was a road man for the company.I found every co-worker always willing to co-operate with his plans and tried hard to put over his program.He always meet us with a smile, and encouraging remarks.

We all have learned to love and appreciate him, and hope he will always be our president.I am not writing because I feel there will be any change, but just wish to express my feeling through you of him as president.For working under him is pleasant as he is congenial, trustworthy, and sincere, and I feel he deserves some appreciation of this kind from my district.

I am asking that your consideration be given in regards of this letter in the meeting.Hope there will be a good meeting,

Yours as a Central worker,

Edw Robinson

EWR/s Dist.Mgr.

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February 12, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

The Southern Negro Youth Congress and the Negro History Society wish to thank you for the kind consideration and cooperation shown us during our recent under taking; namely that of furnishing material and information for our Art exhibit. It was not only enjoyed by the students and faculty here on the campus, but also by many art lovers on the Tidewater Peninsula.

If at any time we can be of any assistance to you, your administration or your school please feel free to write to us.

Again we extend to your our most sincere thanks,

Sincerely yours,

Cortez M. Puryear H.

Cortez M. Puryear,
Southern Negro Youth Congress

C.M.P:h

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February 13, 1940

President Mary McCleod Bethune
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Madam:

We have received your invitation to the anniversary exercises of your institution this month, for which we thank you.

If possible, kindly send pictures of the event, especially those including Mrs. Roosevelt and yourself, with appropriate story, and we shall be glad to give it at least a one-page spread. There will be no charges.

Very truly yours,

SILHOUETTE PICTORIAL.

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FEBRUARY 14TH
1940

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Enclosed please find my donation which I promised to send you for the Maintenance Fund. I would like to make this five thousand dollars but the demands on my pocket book are so many that my funds are at the vanishing point.

Having worked with you and therefore knowing the work that you are doing I cannot refrain from making a sacrifice as a gesture of appreciation of all you mean to Education and the good of our country.

With best wishes for continued success and good health, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Benjamin F. Seldon

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RAY HALMANS
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119 WEST 57TH STREET
NEW YORK

February 15, 1940

Via Air Mail
Special Delivery

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I cannot understand why the first copy of Roland Hayes' program, sent to you on January 29th, never reached you. However, I hasten to send another copy herewith.

For the complete enjoyment of the program, please have the annotations printed in the house program.

Sincerely yours

Ray Halmans.

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Mrs. Mary Mc Leod Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

My dear Mrs. Bethune:-

Thank you so much for your invitation and tickets to the thirty-fifth Anniversary Exercises of Bethune-Cookman College.

I shall be on hand with several of my friends and am asking for 5 additional tickets for others who wish to come. If you do not have time to send these tickets please reserve seats and we will call for tickets at the door.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Nell. R. Jones-

Mrs. Walter. S. Jones,
General Secretary.
Y.W.C.A.
Jaclsonville, Fla.

P.S. We hope to have Dr. Helen Barnes, a retired National and Inter-National secretary of the Y.W.C.A. with us.

A MEMBER AGENCY COMMUNITY CHEST OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

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Campbell Street High School

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Daytona Beach, Florida

February 16, 1940

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Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

M. Evelyn
53$ cdm't

We, the students of the public schools of Daytona Beach, in sensing the needs of the school at this time and sympathizing with you in your untiring efforts to build an educational monument, which will forever live in the hearts of the Negro and continue to guide him as he seeks to find a solution for his many perplexing problems; are sending you this little surprise which we hope will be of some value to you in your program. Please accept it in its smallness. We didn't have much to give, but we wanted to help.

May God continue to bless you.

Lovingly yours,

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February 19, 1940

Mrs. Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

Will you please mail us one of your catalogs? We are interested in an orphaned boy of thirteen years and wondering if he will be eligible for your school.

Yours very sincerely,

DUVAL COUNTY FAMILY WELFARE AGENCY
(Miss) Charlotte Jelks
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Martha DuPree
(Miss) Martha DuPree
District Visitor

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Durr

Washington Concert

The Highlands,
Washington, D. C.,
February 21, 1940.

My dear Mrs. Durr:

Enclosed herewith is a check for $2.00 in payment for the Sponsor Ticket, which I received through Miss Minnie Mae Fleming, for the Recital for the benefit of the Bethune-Cookman College.

Very sincerely yours,

Lucretia del Valle Grady

Lucretia del Valle Grady
(Mrs. Henry F.)

Enclosure

Mrs. Clifford Durr,
1812 Ninth Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

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February 21, 1940

Sent check for $10 6/11

President
Bethune-Cookman College
Dayton Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing you in the interest of the National Association of Personnel Deans and Advisers of Men.

For the pass five years this Association has attempted to foster programs which would help Dean's and Adviser's of Men become more effective in the counseling of Negro youth.

Our Association feels that one of the most pressing problems confronting Negro Educators, is the one of bringing about a reasonable relationship between our individual students and the work they desire to do, are qualified to do, and that is available for them to do. To this end the Association brings together at it's annual meetings, persons who have had wide experience in the field of counseling and guidance, to discuss with, and for us all the pertinent phases of the guidance program. In addition the Association publishes a Bullitin of the speeches and proceedings of the Annual meetings.

As President of this organization, I am writing to solicit your personal interest and cooperation along two lines: (1) That you will see to it that your Institution pays it's annual dues and (2) that you send a representative to the Sixth Annual Conference at Durham, April 25 through the 27.

Sincerely yours,

James T. Taylor mp.

James T. Taylor
President

JTT:MB
Encl: 1

N.B. I am enclosing a financial statement of the standing of your Institution with the Association of Personnel Deans.

Dean
advises
no

P.O. Box 1027
Sarasota, Fla.

Feb. 21, 1940.

Dr. Mary Mc.Cleod Bethune,
Nat. Director Negro Affairs, N.Y.A.
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Dr. Bethune,

The thirty fifth Anniversary of the Bethune-Cookman College was marvelous and it will occupy an outstanding place in history. I had looked forward to it with the greatest anticipation and must say that the occassion was the greatest I've ever witnessed.

I had always wanted to see Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt,

- but never dreamed that I would everget so near as to shake hands with her. I hope some day that a democracy as she puts it will reach the heart of the deep South.

The Roland Hayes Recital was supherb, his songs most certainly lifts the soul.

Greatest of all was she who made the occassion possible, that her people would enjoy what otherwise would have been impossible for them.

You were Charming, as always, the entire day, Sunday. I, concentrated with you, on Sunday during Mrs. Roosevelts speech. You handled the situation admirably, despite of the little rain.

I came back to Saracota, inspired to do more than ever before.

It was so kind of you to remember the letters I had written you, especially so, in the face of the strenous day, Sunday.

I regret that I could not have stayed until Monday, but duty called. R. D. Jr. was there also.

I still have faith and I know whatever and whenever you can do, you will.

May all that is good be Yours,

Yours sincerely,
Susie H. Reddick.

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File

15th St and Myrtle Ave.,
Jacksonville, Fla.
February 23rd 1940

Mrs Mary McCloud Bethume, President
Bethume-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Fla.,

My dear Mrs Bethume:-

I wrote you a letter at Washington D. C. the early part of January. On the 18th of January Dean Lanier answered my letter and told me he sent my letter and recommendations to you at Daytona Beach.

I taught W.P.A. Dramatics at the South Jacksonville Public School two terms. I will not be able to work on W.P.A. any more. Therefore, I am asking you to please create a place for me as I need work. I could work on the Recreational Staff somewhere - an assistant in library work or assistant matron at Bethume Cookman.

Thanking you in advance for your interest in me and expecting an early reply. I remain,

Sincerely

(Mrs) Ruth Lofton Smith

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West Virginia State College
PHONE 4-181—EXT. 23
Institute, W. Va.

Feb. 24,1940

Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Gentlemen:

We hereby acknowledge receipt of check # 14183 in the amount of $10.00 covering membership fee in the Association of Business Officers in Schools for Negroes for the year 1940-41.

Many thanks for your cooperation and we are expecting your representative at Tuskegee for our meeting in March.

Very truly yours,

Association of Business Officers
in Schools for Negroes.

Chas. R. Rutherford
Treasurer

833 N.E. 7th Street.
Oklahoma City, Okla.
Feb. 26, 1940

Mrs Mary McLeod Bethune
Datona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs Bethune:

Thank you so much for remembering me with an invitation to the celebration of the thirty-fifth anniversary of the founding of your school.

The very day your letter came I had just sent to Mrs Sallie W. Stewart, my pledge of twenty-five dollars on the indebtedness of the National Federation Home at Washington D.C. This, together with serious illness in my family, prevents me from sending you as large a donation for your school as I had hoped to do, but, perhaps adding this to other small donations may help some. Trusting that you are enjoying good health, I am

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drawings - Very interesting
We do not have a separate art altho we have Indus art courses

Feb.26th 1940

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Bethune College,
Daytona Beach,Fla.

Dear Sir:

Am sending you under separate cover a drawing which was made by a colored boy I have working here for me. He is a young man and hard of hearing, which naturally makes him a pecular kind of a boy. However he seems to have a talent for this and I am writing to ask if you train boys in art. What would be the cost of sending him to your school.

Yours very truly,

Alvin H. Hinson

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[illegible] Mrs. Mitchell Cleveland

February 28, 1940

My dear President Bethune:

Mr. Thomas R. Barcus, who is now visiting colleges for Negroes for the Carnegie Corporation Advisory Group on Academic Libraries, expects to visit the library of your school on Tuesday, March 5th.

Sincerely yours,

Evelyn Uhlendorf

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Daytona Beach, Florida

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Dr Mary McLeod Beethune
Beethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla

Dear Mrs Beethune:

I enjoyed myself while in Daytona Beach very much. I was so sorry that I did not get to see you while being there. I did see Beethune Cookman College and attended a party at the End of the Trail.

I met a good many people and they were all so enthused over the fact that the First Lady of the Land was going to speak on February 18th. They wanted me to come back, but my purse would not permit it.

I know you will be sorry to learn that we lost our newest building, our brick veneered one, on February 7th. In the village limit, we do not have fire protection which makes it doubly hard. All the furnishing, boys' and mens' clothing were a complete loss. We carried $3,000.00 insurance on the building but nothing on the furnishing. It is my desire to build a building costing around twenty or twenty-five thousand dollars as a memorial to my late husband, the founder of the institution, an ex-slave and was so interested in the welfare of his people.

I do hope some day to visit Florida again. I wish if possible, you will visit our school whenever you are in Atlanta or Augusta.

Yours sincerely,

Anna S. Ingraham

Anna S Ingraham

ASI:G

March 1 - 1949
Columbus Ohio

Dr Mary McCloud Bethune

It is With great pleasure that we the Phi Zeta Mu of Alpha Phi Omega Sorority present You this Amount 50.00

May success be ever Yours. Balance Will follow

Frances Sheppard Pres.
Eva Moody Secs.

117 E. Concord Av., Orlando. Fla
Mar. 2, 1940

Pres. Mary McL Bethune
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Pres. Bethune:

Many Thanks for your reply to letter concerning the program of Penna. Club. Hav delayd response to see if we can finance the number. Our program is complete for Mar. 6, and partly for Mar. 20. I hav heard a great deal - and very favorably - about you singing groups. Since our funds are raised entirely by voluntary collections to finance programs and to prepare for Pa. State picnic, they hav not been sufficient to meet $\$30^{00}$. We recently had a program to raise funds for Finnish Relief, and this cut down our revenue.

We hope at some future date to see our way clear to hav your organization of singers for a program.

Befor leaving Fla for the North about Apr. 15, we would enjoy a visit to your institution. I am interested in education, being a retired Supt. of Schools.

Very sincerely,

Elmer E. Kuntz.

Please reply

715 W. 8th St.
Cincinnati O.
Mar. 4, 1940.

Mrs. M. Mc. Leod Bethune,
Bethune Cookman College,
Dayton Beach Fla.

Dear Mrs. Bethune;

I have been reading for these many years of your very splendid work and just completed the article telling of the celebration of your 35th Anniversary of Bethune Cookman College.

I am a graduate of what was formally New Orleans University. I married Dr. E. W. S. Hammond who was many years my Senior. We taught together at Walden University. He passed and I married another teacher who was Principal of the College Hill School. We taught together their he has passed and I am still in the same school. Making 15 yrs in the same school.

My hobby has always been music and poetry; but now since I am alone I get much comfort out of both.

I have won several prizes for song poems.

Last November I was requested to send several of my poems to the Avon Publishers N.Y. City and they would select two for the Yearbook of Modern Poetry to be published in November.

Two were accepted and published in the book which sells for four dollars. If you would like to have me order you one let me know.

Last you will find enclosed one of my compositions which I have autographed and sending you as an Anniversary token.

If you can use the song in your Music Dept. I can supply you.

With kindest wishes for your continued success I am

Sincerely Mrs. Anna Hammond-Robison

Get a Woman.

Anna Hammond-Robinson.

Dedicated to Mrs. M. M. Bethune.

If you want to see a creature
That can really stand the test
Get a woman.

Men are very easily shaken
With the duties undertaken
Get a woman.

Men can work and sing and pray
But for great determination, say!
Get a woman.

Mary Bethune a race woman
Who has really stood the test,
And has worked to give the youngfolks
Of her race the very best
She has come and she must go
But her name will live forever see?
She's a woman.

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY
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WASHINGTON SQUARE, NEW YORK

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION
AND HEALTH

March 4, 1940

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

The attention of the Nation is being focused on the health of our people. Studies have been made which have demonstrated the need and value of increased facilities for the improvement of health among college youth. As a result of these studies administrators have become more conscious of the needs and have made or are making definite plans to meet them.

I am conducting with the advice of Professor Jay B. Nash, Chairman of the Department of Physical Education and Health of New York University, a study of Dental Health conditions in Negro colleges.

We are soliciting information about your health problems, for without your gracious cooperation it would be impossible to make this study. We would be very pleased to have you or your health officer, Dr. Adams, supply us with the information called for in the enclosed questionnaire.

In compiling the data, the name of your school will be withheld if you so desire. We are very anxious for the information from your institution, and your early reply will be appreciated greatly.

I shall be happy to supply you with a confidential copy of the summary of these reports.

Professor Nash joins me in appreciation for any cooperation which you can give to this much needed study.

Very truly yours,

Jno. A. Turner

Address reply to John A. Turner, D.D.S., 440 St. Nicholas Avenue,
Apt. 4C, New York, N. Y.

2406 KALORAMA ROAD, N. W.
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General Donations

March 5, 1940

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

It is difficult to express adequately how much the 35th Anniversary celebration meant to us. Your warm and gracious welcome included us immediately. We felt a part of your great family and I was touched deeply by being privileged to take part in the Sunday service.

Especially I liked Dean Bond's address and his appreciation of the way God has used you to build the college and so to translate your faith into action. Frank Buchman and our friends were grateful for your openhearted reception. Even the rain could not dampen our spirits. It seemed, rather, to draw us closer to Mrs. Roosevelt and to you.

As evidence of our very real interest in Bethune-Cookman College and our affection for you, I am enclosing two checks as gifts from Connie and me to the fund you are raising.

Since our return we have had the pleasure of a Washington visit from Sam Shoemaker who delivered last week a series of five noonday addresses at Epiphany Church. Under separate cover we are sending you these talks in book form entitled "God and America". Do let us know what you think of them.

Our affectionate greetings to Arabella, Mrs. Smith and our many friends.

Sincerely yours,

W. H. Reid-

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Detroit

Mrs. McLeord Berthune=
C/o Cookmans M.E. School
Datonia Beach- Fla

No Reply

your honor Madam=

Again I'm proud to greet the greatest crew of Women in America= I may be alittle fogie= or unbalanced= But its a pleasure to be thus identifide I can't keep from confessing the weakness of the Men without out the hand of the woman on his shoulder guiding him in all walks of life= We are a misuable failure without you= this is a time of Worlds unrestfullness. No one seem satisfide at any place or ~~with~~ any one= or his condition= country or Nation= So it is with the negro= he too has a blister on his tongue= crying and Whining for a chance= A hard Worker brave to act or do What he is told to do= always ready= But to be origional seems to be his failure= he can plan= + shoot streight= But miss the Mark without the urge from the torch of your hand to stuady his aim= We have come a long Ways since 1865= We have accomplished much Many barrows have been broken= yes since you got your franchise= and I beleave we are on our Way= All this is to say= you have the Whip hand your boys are ready for the job= As Masters you will have to put them to Work-

you must have a represenitive in every house
in America= uper and lower= state city and at
Washington= to help to make laws to govern your
future= and your babies= so as to make this a fit-
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out an S.O.S- now= line your boys up tell them
What you want= no matter how it looks= its your
job= he does the work brings the bacon home But
you do the cooking= plan now for the spring and
the fall Election= this program must go over
you are tax payer= apart of the community in which
you live= put on the heat= your boys followered
the Lincoln party to the wall= and there lost all they
had= the F.R.R. party at least moved the soup line
you have a better chance than ever before= some of
the fences as down= come on in dont wait-
All the women help= you opened our eyes= you will
Close them= you raised us brought to our right
mind= its still your job to put your boys to
front= in the council= in the legislation in
house & the senate= give us a push= bid us go
if left alone= he will sell out= If you demand
he bring home the bacon he want come
without= give us a push-

very Respectfully yours W.R.Reid- a boy 76 yrs

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Again your boys if left alone will sell out the White man know it= he starts Earlie on your boy= money looks good to him=

Pardon my intrution upon your time But I see no other way out- am sure you get my drift=

I'm hopefully yours

W.A. Reid-

General

615 Rosedale Avenue
Johnstown, Pennsylvania
March 6th, 1940

Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune
Pres. Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Dr. Bethune:

It was indeed a great pleasure to read your letter of a few days ago.

I read with great interest of the Thirty-Fifth year of your school and wish to extend my late but sincere congratulations. Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, who was the speaker on the occasion of your institution celebration is represented in my forthcoming book.

Though I had already taken my work to the press I believe that your very fine expression will be placed therein.

I thank you for your kindness and bid you God speed as you continue to labor for others. A copy of our special number will be mailed to you within the next two weeks.

Yours for service,

J A Jarvis

(Rev.) James A. Jarvis

Gen'l
Send reply
General

1056 East Twelfth Street
Erie, Pennsylvania
March 8, 1940.

Doctor Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Dr. Bethune:

I, Henrine Martin, am writing to you for the interest of the Mary McLeod Bethune Federated Club of Erie, Pennsylvania. This club's membership is composed of twenty young women and girls. It was organized by a member of another federated club the latter part of last year.

By a unanimous vote your name was chosen because we considered you the most outstanding Negro woman in America from the standpoint of distinguished service and outstanding achievements.

Our club is planning a great project. We plan to purchase the necessary materials for a 33X42 portrait to hang in the auditorium of the recently dedicated and remodelled Booker T. Washington Community Center.

We would like so very much for that portrait to be you. The Federated Clubs Convention convenes here in July.

Here's how we plan to secure this oil painted portrait. Will you please send to the address on the first page a very recent~~ly~~ photograph of yourself size 11X14. It must be an expertly tinted photograph and it must be a front view, bust length.

Please have the photographer to drape a piece of velvet artistically over your dress which will cover your shoulders and hang (~~across the~~) down the arms to the elbow. The drape is suggested because the dress might become out-dated.

The photograph must be as large and as clear as possible.

We would like to have the portrait

painted as soon as possible.

I have been chosen to paint the picture. I am a graduate of Texas College class of '38 and I attended Edinboro State Teachers College.

May I look forward to receiving the photograph by March 23rd.?

It was very unfortunate that the other letter miscarried.

I hope you'll give our request every consideration. I hope to hear from you soon.

Very sincerely yours,
(Miss) Henrine Martin

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Ken.

My dear Mrs. Bethune: We are holding the annual meeting of the Georgia Teachers and Educational Association at Waycross, Georgia, on April 4, 5, and 6.

Since you are in Florida, and not so very far from Waycross, we are wondering if you would be willing to make a short talk for us during the session. The Association has very little money with which to work this year owing to the shortage in teachers' salaries here in Georgia, but I am sure our President, Mr. James L. Grant, would be glad to take care of your expenses from Daytona Beach to Waycross and return. All of our people in Georgia would like to hear you. If you could come, we should be glad to have you any time on Friday or Friday evening.

If you decide to come, please give me some excerpts from the address you to plan to deliver so that we may be able to give them to the press in advance. We trust that you will make an effort to be with us as we certainly would be pleased to have you.

Very sincerely yours,

Benj. F. Hubert

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March 11, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President:

May I present to you a race work of far-reaching importance. We are sure that you and all Directors of the great work of training the Colored Youth will be interested in our effort to aid, through Music, an important objective, that of securing more respect as American citizens.

The great effort being made to develop American Music, as a cultural asset to the country, and the thousands and thousands of dollars now being expended by the Government for this work, is an awakening inspiration. Negro Music must have it's place. We are presenting to you the foundation necessary to establish, for all time our part and place in American Music. The work started by the Washington Conservatory of Music, is progressing with success. A drive is on for $5,000 to finance immediate needs of the Center. All the music dealers contacted in the country, and two in London, England, have donated hundreds of copies of music by Negro composers for our permanent Library. The Congressional Library Director has cordially assisted our Research work. Later all music will be catalogued for the use of Schools and Churches.

The great achievement of Marian Anderson surely demonstrates the value of our music, and what can be accomplished in a Negro-Music Center, to stimulate the talents of our children. Will you donate to the Drive, and encourage your School and Music Department to join the other institutions already endorsing the work, and thus be published among the Charter Members of this great movement? Please appoint a Committee whose Chairman will confer with us, and be on our mailing list for information that may be sent from time to time.

Sincerely,

Harriet Gibbs Marshall

Harriet Gibbs Marshall

[illegible]

Ridgewood Hotel
Daytona Beach, Florida

March 11th 1940

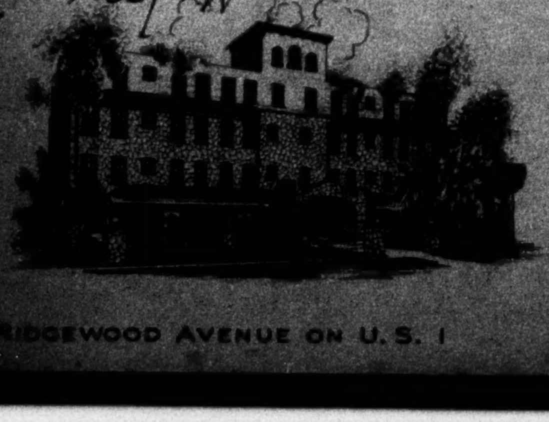
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach Fla.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:-

Enclosed please find check for my birthday club dues for your College - March the first.

With all good wishes
Sincerely yours
Margaret A. Fairbanks

Newport,
New Hampshire
[My Home Address].



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Mrs Mary McLeod Bethune
Director, Division of Negro Affairs

Dear Mrs Bethune:

This will acknowledge your letter giving Mr. Shell's address in Atlanta. I contacted him but could not get any assistance from him, but he gave me the Rosenwald Fund address in Chicago and we contacted them.

I wish it was possible to have you come down and lecture to the people here when you are down this way.

Respectfully yours
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March 12, 1940.

Mr William D Travis
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr Travis:

I received the scrap books and they were lovely. The friends are wild about them.

Please prepare me four more scrap books with the following initials -

E.M.D. - S.N.D. - E.S. - S.B.S.

Send me the bill and I will mail a check.

Sincerely yours,

W. A. C. Hughes

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Alabama State Teachers Association

Birmingham, Ala.

March 13, 1940.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, Director
Division of Negro Affairs
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:-

Please accept this note as an expression of our deepest regret that you have taken ill, and we sincerely hope that you will have a speedy recovery.

I have just written Mr Lanier and sent him a program so that he will be able to appear at the time when we had hoped you would haveappeared.

We shall be pleased to have Mr. Lanier with us, although he was the principal speaker, two years ago when the Association met in Birmingham.

I have contacted Mrs. Spraggs and we are trying to work out some conferences for Mr. Lanier, that I am sure will stimulate interest in the Youth Movement in our State.

Very respectfully yours,

Bert. A. Hudson

Program Secretary.

YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

Negro Center: 1604 N. W. Third Avenue
Miami, Florida

Mrs. W. H. Murrell
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Miss Mildred Jackson
Executive Secretary

March 13, 1940

Sent -
March 18, 1940.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

I am sending under separate cover, another recommendation blank to be sent to the National Board of the Young Women's Christian Association.

May I say in advance that I am very grateful to you for this favor.

Respectfully yours,

Mildred Jackson
Mildred Jackson

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March 13, 1940

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Perhaps you know that Mount Olivet Baptist Church is my church (at 120th Street and Lenox Avenue) and that Dr. O. Clay Maxwell is our pastor.

Each year in May we celebrate our anniversary with what we call our Reunion taking place on a night during the week. This year the Reunion is to be on Wednesday evening, May 22.

I am trying to help the Committee arrange for a speaker, and I feel sure they would be delighted to have you if you are available. However, this is just a personal letter from me to ask if you have that date free so that I may propose your name.

Won't you write me by return mail, special delivery, using the enclosed stamped, addressed envelope?

For years - and years - I have wanted you at Mount Olivet again. I say again, because the very first time I heard you speak was at Mount Olivet when the church was in West Fifty-third Street and the late Dr. M. W. Gilbert was pastor. You were just beginning your work at Daytona, and I have never forgotten the talk you gave us then, though I have heard you dozens of times since.

I do so hope you can do this. In writing please state the terms on which you could come.

Most sincerely,
Richetta G. Randolph

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
1734 New York Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

With lots of love — RR

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General

YASUICHI HIKIDA
257 WEST 85TH STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

March 14, 1940.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

I was sorry that I did not see you off the R.R. station. I reached home just few minutes after your car had gone. I hope you will having a good rest. You looked very well the other day.

Mrs. Smith told me all about the great event you had. Among which the story of dramatic presentation of your life.

I am very much interested to eabtain a copy of manustript of the "Unfolding a Dream". I will pay for the cost of making the copy. Will you see to it that I will have it? Mrs. Smith suggested me to write this letter to you.

Withing you the best of health to march forward with your ever-seasing, vigorous ambition, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Y. Hikida

Tuskegee Institute

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, ALABAMA

OFFICE OF
THE TREASURER

Sent - March 20,1940.

March 14, 1940

To the Business Officer
of Institution Addressed:

We know that it is your plan to join the parade of Business Officers to Tuskegee Institute for the Second Annual Meeting of the "AOBOISFN". We are therefore anxious to know the exact date and time of your arrival together with the number in your party so that we may welcome you into our midst in the true Tuskegee style. You can assist us in this by returning the attached reservation form at once. We want you to remember that wives are welcome.

We are looking forward to seeing you and several members of your staff. You can be assured that we plan to do everything possible to make your stay a pleasant one.

Very truly yours

Lloyd Isaacs

Lloyd Isaacs
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Dr. Mary Mc L. Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Dr. Bethune:

When you are in Chicago April 11th, I would like the privilege of photographing you. Knowing that your program is very full, it will only take me thirty minutes, I will call for an appointment and take care of your transpotation.

Wishing you much success in your school program.

Sincerely yours,

Warren B Harrison

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Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I am running in a popularity contest of Lincoln University. I would like very much for you to help me to win. The person selling the high est number of votes, will be "Miss Lincoln." I would like to win.

I am a member of the Pyramid Club of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority here at Lincoln University; and by your being one of my "Big Sisters" I thought I could call on you for help.

Inclosed you will find votes that I would like for you to buy. If you find that you cannot be responsible for them, please return them to me by March 25th, as I am held responsible for them.

Thanking you in advance for your hearty cooperation.

Sincerely,

Birdie M. Hairston

Birdie M. Hairston.

General

OFFICE OF
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NEW BERN, NORTH CAROLINA

P.O.Box 6
March 18th. 1940.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
National Youth Administration
Washington Bldg.
New York Ave. and 15th. St. NW.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I thank you for your letter of March 13th. I am very sorry that you cannot come to us on any of the dates given.

Our people have known of you and your work so long and all of us are so proud of you that we are loathe to lose this opportunity to have you come to us. In our meeting (County-wide) last Saturday our teachers expressed their wilingness to present $100 to you for your work and would like to present it at our commencement. So, I am writing again to ask if you can possibly name us a date say, April 20th. or some day during the week of the 14th. of April. This is a bit early but we are willing t make almost any rearrangement to make it easier for you to come to us.

Will you kindly favor me with an immediate reply be either air-mail of telegraph.

Trusting that you will be able to come and with highest esteem, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Clara D. Mann

Clara D.Mann
Jeanes Supervisor,
Craven County Schools.

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OFFICE OF DEAN
Campbell College
Jackson, Mississippi

E. R. LAWRENCE
DEAN

March 18, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytonia Beach, Fla.

My dear Mrs. Bethune,

I am writing to inquire whether you have a vacancy to be filled either permanently or temporarily in your Department of Physical sciences.

For the past fourteen years I have taught at Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Mississippi, where I developed the Chemistry Department into one recognized by the Southern Association, and this year I am serving at Campbell College. However, I prefer to teach Chemistry,- as many serving in a similar capacity will agree.

Graduated from Bates College, Lewiston, Maine, with a Science degree in 1926, I have but two majors of work to complete for a Master's at Chicago University, and feel qualified through many years of experience of teaching Organic or Inorganic Chemistry in any other recognized institution.

If you feel that there is any possibility of an opening in this field for the coming year, I should be pleased if you would reply to this inquiry, or you may contact Dr. Rayford Logan at Howard, and he will communicate with me.

I was born at Andover, Mass, in 1903; am married and have a wife and daughter; and in '36-'37 I held the number one rating as Junior Chemist for Mississippi with the U. S. Civil Service Commission.

Further information or copies of transcripts will be forwarded on request.

Respectfully yours,

Everett R. Lawrence

Everett R. Lawrence.

General

Bethune-Cookman College

Daytona Beach, Florida

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8 Morningside Avenue, Apt. 2-S
New York City

March 19, 1940

Dear Mrs. Bethune:-

The New York Chapters have considered the advisability of working as a unit to give one large function that would focus attention on the school, make the programm of the New York Chapters known and at the same time return sufficient money to make the undertaking worth while.

Accordingly we have considered Doctor Ilia Motycliffs (Russian Producer) (Staff teacher at Academy of Allied Arts) offer to present his group of professional actors with Evelyn Ellis as the Star. The play to be Ibpen's "A Doll House" at the Guild Theatre on 52nd Street on May 5th.

The production will cost approximately $500.00-this will include Theatre cost of $350.00, professional press service for one week $75.00, Theatre manager and curtain man $25.00, plus a lee-way of $50.00 for other expenses.

The $350.00 Theatre cost includes light, 3 department heads, ushers, tickets, box office ticket sale for one week proceeding the performance.

The Theatre seats 965 persons and standees to approximately 1000 and with a portion of the seats sellingat $3.20 we can make $3000.00 on the performance.
$500.00 for cost and ½ of the net proceeds divided with the cost. Netting the New York Chapters $750.00

The Chapter members believe that it is important to focus attention on one function, and one that is artistic. It also believes that small groups working independently dissipate their energy, make small returns, and fail to place the work of the Chapters before the public.

We hope that the undertaking will have your approval and that we will be able to go ahead with our plans.
The Theatre has agreed to hold the date open until Saturday 3/23/40 at which time we must have reached a decision.

Respectfully
Executive Committee
New York Bethune Cookman College
Chapters
Mrs Lillian Smith; General Chairman
of Activities.

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CENTRAL ACADEMY
PALATKA, FLORIDA
MAR
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1940

Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune, Director
Negro Affairs, National Youth Administration
Washington, D.C.

My dear Doctor Bethune:

I am writing you urgently concerning two very important matters, both of which I earnestly trust you will be able to give your most favorable and sympathetic consideration.

1. If you are in the State on May 3, we would be mighty happy to have you deliver the annual address to our graduating class, to the people of this community-- The thirty six members of this class, and the teachers of Central Academy wish me to extend to you this kind invitation-- I am sure you know how I feel about it-- I would be most happy to have you here, and trust that your itinerary will bring you to the state around this time-- The students, the teachers, Principal, and the people need you and what you have to offer.

2. It would be a mighty be favor if you consider me for a place on your Summer school Staff this summer. But to ask this , simply as as a favor is too much. The work of teaching is too important, and the success of your program depends upon the efficiency and the spirit of the teachers---. I feel that I can make an efficient contribution to your program. I am sure, you know that it would be hard to find anyone who would be more loyal to the program. On the other hand, I actually need an opportunity to earn a little cash this summer. In fact, this is an absolute necessity. If you can find it convenient to grant this request you will help me no little, and I will be deeply grateful to you.

We are always mighty happy when we have an opportunity to hear your addresses over the radio, or read them from the papers magazines. We earnestly pray for your continued success and happiness--I am,

Most sincerely yours,

A.J.Polk

A.J.Polk, Principal

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March 21, 1940

Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach,
Fla.

Gentlemen:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 20th enclosing excerpts from your Annual Meeting, and in accordance with your request we enclose signature cards to be executed by those authorized to sign in your behalf.

Very truly yours,

J. H. Merrell
Assistant Cashier

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SIGNATURE CARDS SEND 3/25/40

The Association of Music Teachers in Negro Schools

PORTIA L. TRENHOLM
SECRETARY LYCEUM COMMITTEE
INTERNATIONAL HOUSE
500 RIVERSIDE DRIVE
NEW YORK CITY

March 23, 1940

President Mary McLoud Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Sir:

As secretary of the Lyceum Committee of the Association of Music Teachers in Negro Schools, I have been asked to make this further approach incident to our interest in the use of Negro artists by the Negro colleges to the mutual financial advantage of the artists and the colleges. To facilitate our discussion of further proposals at our approaching meeting to be held at Charleston, West Virginia in April, I am requesting your gracious cooperation in furnishing our committee a brief report of the activities and policies of your college in this matter during the current year.

In your letter which may be prepared in your office or by the chairman of your faculty committee, we shall appreciate the inclusion of information on such items as the following:

1. The names of the artists which are being presented through your institution this year with the dates on which they are appearing.
2. The range of prices which are being paid for the service of these artists.
3. The policies of the college respecting:
    a. The number of artists presented each year.
    b. The distribution of these artists as to seasons and type of skill.
    c. The distribution of these artists as to race.
    d. The basis of student admission: annual fee with free admission or individual cash admission fee for each program.
    e. The extent of dependence upon receipts from admission fees from outside adults with estimate of average amounts obtainable through such admission fees.
    f. The usual total budgeted allocation for the year for such programs.
    g. The procedure and time of selection of the artists...whether at a certain time for the entire year or whether individually as information respecting available artists comes to your attention.
    h. The individual or committee responsible for the selection and sponsorship of these programs.
4. The seating of the auditorium in which theprograms are presented.
5. The estimated average attendance at the typical program.
6. Your suggestions respecting the type of assistance which our association could most acceptably and helpfully render your institution in this matter.

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March 26, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
℅ Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

In re: Policy #10818

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

Under date of March 22nd when you returned the authorization for the reduction of your policy from $5,000.00 to $2,000.00, you neglected to send the policy itself as requested in our letter of March 15th. We, therefore, cannot act upon your request until the policy is in our hands for the endorsement of the reduction thereon. Please send the policy at once, so that we may get the policy reduced, reinstated and you properly covered.

Very truly yours,

W. Ellis Stewart
Secretary

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General

Dorothy P. Odell
924 North Water
Wichita, Kansas

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Mar. 26, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
President of Bethune-Cookman College.
Daytona Beach Florida

Dear Madam:

Will you do me the favor of answering the following questions concerning your school?

(1) What is the value of the college property? $800,000

(2) How many pupil are enrolled in Bethune-Cookman College 250

(3) How many faculty members are there? 32

4. Will you describe your new recreation building? Send descriptive literature

Thanking you for your kindness, I am

Yours very truly,
Dorothy P. Odell

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March 28, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Madam:

We take this opportunity to inform you that this department of The Pittsburgh Courier is at this time developing a medium which should prove to be a definite asset to colleges and other educational institutions anxious to reveal to the public their constructive and progressive programs.

The medium of which we write is to be a supplement (tabloid size) to be inserted in the Courier's issue of May 25, 1940. This specially prepared booklet will be dedicated to the thousands of graduates throughout the country and also serve as an information bureau for prospective students.

The high scholastic rating of your school and the excellent reputation it has earned compels me to inform you of the medium to be published. We feel that by purchasing advertising space in this worthy publication, your school and its graduates will be the benefactors, not to mention the thousands of prospective students who will be reached.

This is also an opportunity to place your institution before the public for inspection. Likewise, it is an opportunity to reveal the progressive strides being made at Bethune-Cookman College, the work being done by its graduates and plans now being laid for future years.

As an educator, we feel sure that you will want your institution included in this educational supplement. Low rates are being offered to our institutions so that every Negro college and school (business, mechanical and technical) may be represented therein.

You will find inclosed a return envelope. Kindly state if you are interested in this special issue and if we have your permission to carry your picture and a short biography on a page which will be dedicated to the heads of our institutions. Also, please mention the best day of the week on which our representative may personally contact you.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Yours truly,

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March 23, 1940

Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Dr. Bethune:

I am enclosing for your information a copy of a letter which we are sending out at this time to each member of our Negro National Advisory Council. This will keep you posted as to current developments regarding our special Negro project.

You will note that we are asking Council members whether they are planning to be in New York in either April or May, in order that we may set a date for a meeting at that time. How about you? It would be invaluable to have you sit in at any meeting called, with the full understanding, of course, that your presence would be only that of an interested observer.

It is a long time since I have been in Washington but I expect to be able to get down again within the next two weeks. I shall take a chance of telephoning your office and perhaps I shall be fortunate enough to find that you are back in Washington.

I followed with so much interest Mrs. Roosevelt's account of her visit to Bethune-Cookman College as reported in her column from day to day. What a stirring occasion it must have been for all concerned.

I wonder if any of the clippings drifted through to you regarding Mrs. Roosevelt's endorsement of birth control some weeks ago. I was a fine courageous stand on her part and we are all most grateful to have her private sympathy supplemented by her public support.

With cordial regards and admiration, I am

Sincerely yours,

Florence Rose

Florence Rose
Department of Public Information

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March 29, 1940

Mr. Claude A. Barnett
The Associated Negro Press, Inc.
3423 Indiana Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Barnett:

We have delayed writing you in the hope that we might be able to send you some definite news regarding the development of our plans for a special Negro birth control project. This we are now able to do.

At our annual meeting in New York, January 23-25, the donor of this special fund had an opportunity to meet with a representative of the Nashville City Health Department and with Dr. Robert E. Seibels of South Carolina. At that time both of them presented such convincing plans, one for an urban and one for a rural demonstration project, that the donor asked us to carefully ascertain the amount of funds needed to carry out these two projects successfully, before embarking on the other part of the program, the broad educational activities which we planned to carry on concurrently with the two demonstration projects.

Following the meeting, detailed plans for both the Nashville and South Carolina projects were prepared and presented to the donor, and while the amount needed was greater than we originally planned to set aside for these two demonstration projects, the donor himself felt that it would be unwise to minimize the effectiveness of the plans by attempting to make them conform to a smaller grant. It was his conviction, with which we agreed, and with which we felt you also would agree, that in view of the extraordinary cooperation from public health officials upon whom we may count in these two particular sections, the arrangements they suggested should be confirmed at once. This has now been done.

We attach for your information the essential facts regarding both projects. You will note that we are asking for reports at quarterly intervals. We will keep you informed.

Meanwhile, regarding the educational phase of the program:

There are many matters to be discussed with the members of the Advisory Council, in order to proceed most effectively. We are writing to ask if you are planning to be in New York in either April or May? We would like to arrange a time which would coincide with the plans of the out-of-town members of the Council, if possible.

If you are not planning to be in New York at all during these two months, we will write you more fully regarding the various questions which we plan to present at the first meeting of the Council which we shall hold at the earliest possible date.

Very truly yours,

Woodbridge E. Morris, M.D.
General Director

WEM:Re

March - 1940

BIRTH CONTROL FEDERATION OF AMERICA
501 Madison Avenue, New York, N.Y.

MEMORANDUM RE: SPECIAL NEGRO PROJECT

RESUME

In November, 1939, an interested friend of the birth control movement responded to an appeal from the Federation with a special grant of $10,000 a year for two years. This grant is to be used to carry through a birth control project for Negroes which, it is hoped, will be so striking that it can be used in convincing public health officials throughout the country of the fundamental importance of birth control, particularly in regard to the reduction of Negro maternal and infant mortality.

In initiating the project it was anticipated that the fund could be divided between the cost of carrying on a general educational program among the Negroes of the South, and the cost of carrying out two intensive demonstration projects in restricted areas. Subsequently, it developed that the cost of thoroughly carrying out two demonstration projects which presented particularly fine opportunities to incorporate birth control into existing public health programs, was greater than anticipated. It was, therefore, decided to launch these demonstration projects and to carry out an intensive educational program at the earliest opportunity. Meanwhile, as much educational work as possible would be done with the balance of the grant remaining, and with the existing Federation facilities.

To indicate what a specially planned program of birth control can accomplish in promoting Negro health and welfare in varying types of communities, one project was to be centered in an urban and one in a rural area. In each case the program was to include a thorough statistical survey, this to serve as a base-line against which progress and eventual results could be compared as they developed.

CURRENT SITUATION

Following careful investigation, two areas have been selected, one in Nashville, Tennessee, and one in Berkeley County, South Carolina. In both areas valuable opportunities are offered to develop the demonstration projects as integral parts of the public health programs already extant. This insures not only a more effective program, but results which will carry greater weight and conviction to other public health officers. For example, instead of superimposing a birth control program upon a health program which included general public health nursing service, maternal and child health service, tuberculosis service, venereal disease control, and so on, the principle has been adopted that birth control should be worked into each of these services as a part of it. The local direction of the work will thus be placed in the hands of the local health authorities, who, similarly, throughout the United States must eventually assume the administrational responsibilities of birth control work.

Nashville, Tennessee

This city seemed a particularly happy choice for a project. The Meharry Medical School is located there, and is the training school for 50% of the Negro physicians graduated in the United States. With Vanderbilt University located in the same city, it is a leading medical center in the South.

Fisk University for Negroes expressed willingness to cooperate to the fullest extent. The public health program in the city has for several years been including birth control in its services, and operating a birth control clinic at the city health department headquarters. The sum of $4100 annually has been allocated to Nashville, with the understanding that an additional public health nurse would be placed on the city health department staff, that all city health deparmtnet nurses would thereupon devote a proportionate fraction of their time to birth control work among the Negroes, that two additional clinic birth control services would be made available to Negroes weekly, under the direction of local Negro physicians; and that a program of home service, based upon simplified technique, would be introduced into the health department's public health nursing service.

The program has already started in Nashville, but before its inauguration, time was taken for a thorough reviewof the city statistics and health services, to establish the health base-line mentioned above. In addition, photographic records were to be made of the available health services, and of existing health and welfare conditions in the Negro areas to be served by the demonstration. The program will function under the direction of Dr. John Overton, Nashville City Health officer, cooperating with a local advisory countil including in its membership, Dr. Charles Johnson of Fisk University and Dr. Michawl Bent, dean of Meharry Medical School.

Berkeley County, South Carolina

This area has a population of 27,000, 70% Negro, and is entirely rural and agricultural. The largest aggregation of homes which could be called a community consists of a population of about 300. The area is 1200 square miles. A thoroughly capable full-time county health officer is administering a program with a sanitary inspector and 6 nurses, supported by private, county, state and federal funds. To illustrate conditions in the county, 13% of the pre-natal cases in 1939 were under treatment for syphilis; 70% of pre-natals showed anemia in marked degree. The health officer estimated that 1400 mothers needed contraceptive services.

The project adopted here is to add a registered nurse to the staff and to provide her travel; to send in to the county a consultant obstetrician and a consultant nurse to establish the program and get it under way; to furnish a statistical clerk to do the necessary statistical research and recording; and to supply fees and travel to clinicians for the increase of existing clinical services.

Here again the program is to be integrated with the existing services. Knowledge of health conditions is sufficient so that as they improve, the part played by birth control can be shown.

It is estimated that this demonstration project will entail an expenditure of $4200.00, yearly. This project will be carried out under the direct supervision of Dr. Robert E. Seibels, Chairman of the Committee on Maternal Welfare of the South Carolina Medical Association. Dr. Seibels' intensive studies covering the causes of maternal and infant mortality in South Carolina over a period of 5 years led to the adoption in recent years, of a child-spacing program in that State, thereby making South Carolina the second state to include birth control in a statewide public health program.

REPORTS

In both Nashville and Berkeley County reports are to be submitted at quarterly intervals, indicating the progress of each program. The allocation of funds will also be made quarterly. The members of the National Advisory Council will be kept closely informed of developments in these two projects to enable them to transmit comments, criticism and suggestions for utilizing these opportunities to the fullest.

Donor

March 29, 1940

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Your letter of March 20th received by my husband and I. It was a pleasure hearing from you and learning of your gratitude for our efforts in getting musical instruments for your school.

I also had a letter from Mrs. Norman in New York. I, too, regret her illness as she's such a splendid worker and, of course, our guiding light in our sorority. Through her I have learned the school especially needs a bass violin, so of course Lionel and I immediately set to work. I am very proud to tell you that we have secured one for you and it is now being shipped prepaid to the school. Arthur Bernstein, bass violin player in Benny Goodman's orchestra, has very kindly made this donation to us. I would appreciate very much a personal letter from you to him upon receipt of the instrument. Address it to Arthur Bernstein, c/o Benny Goodman's Orchestra, Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles. He's very much interested in our movement in helping you and your cause to the extent he took his own money and purchased the bass violin.

Please send us a complete history of the school for our information to use in radio interviews, lectures, and etc. Also any suggestions you may care to add will be appreciated.

Lionel and I are looking forward to the day when we shall meet you, which we hope will be very soon.

Until then, please consider us your new and very sincere friends.

Yours most sincerely,

Gladys Hampton
1129½ East 10th St
Los Angeles, Cal.

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March 29, 1940

Dear Mrs. Bethune: I understand and sympathize with your efforts to get funds for Bethune-Cookman College, and I wish I could refer you to some sources of contributions. Unfortunately I can think of no potential givers at the moment, but I shall be glad to keep you in mind and if I ever find any I will certainly let you know.

All good wishes for the success of your efforts.

Very truly yours,

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Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

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Send to Mrs Bethune

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DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY

March 29, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
National Youth Administration
Washington Building
New York Avenue at 15th St.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Bethune,

Finally the man came by for the china Kiln, and unfortunately it was at a time when I happened to be away in Cleveland, Ohio.

My wife helped get it off as best she could, but there were two or three attachments which were not sent along with it. I will get these off and send them Parcel Post in a few days. The truckman has not returned yet to collect for it, as soon as he does and I shall have paid him, I will write you further.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas W. Turner
Thomas W. Turner, Head
Department of Biology

TWT/pt

DR. Mrs. J. M. INGERSOLL
1700 S. BAYSHORE LANE
MIAMI, FLORIDA

Change on mailing lists

March 30, 1938.

General

Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Sirs:-

I have been informed that the domestic help graduated from Bethune-Cookman College are very competent.

We are anxious to secure a good cook who is willing to do some general work, and one who is capable of serving. There are two in the family, myself and husband. We are year round residents of Miami and desire someone who is willing to live on the premises. I have a laundress who has been with us ten years who does the laundry work and cleaning. My former maid was with us nine years and due to her death I am trying to secure some one who will be as satisfactory in every way as she was.

I am writing to you to enquire if you know of a graduate of your College who lives in Miami and who is looking for such a place as I have outlined. Both Dr. Ingersoll and I are particular, but reasonable. I have had several maids this winter, but have found no one satisfactory. I will start a maid at $12.00 per week.

I hope that I may have an early reply as I am very anxious to get this problem settled.

Yours truly,

N. B. Ingersoll

(Mrs. J. M. Ingersoll)

1700 S. Bayshore Lane,

Miami, Florida.

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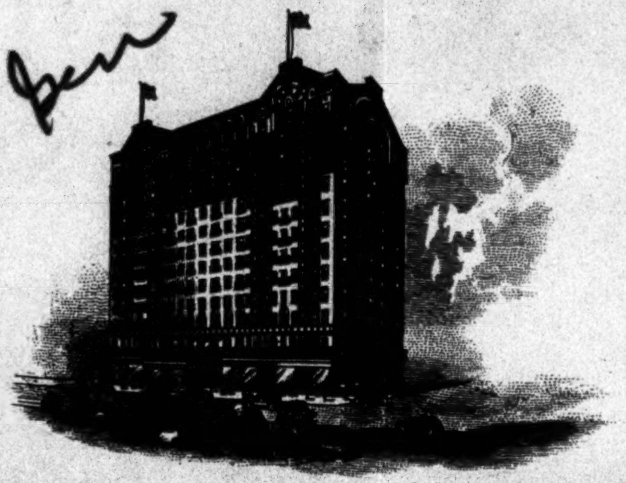

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HOTEL THERESA
SEVENTH AVENUE
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April 3, 1940

Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Dr. Bethune:

At this time of the year when the end of the Spring semester is not far away, there is the likelihood that you may be planning a trip to New York. In the event you are planning such a trip, the Hotel Theresa is equipped to render an unsurpassed service to you.

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Should you plan a trip to the city, permit us to make such reservations as you or your friends may require.

Respectfully yours,

Walter W. Scott

Walter W. Scott, Manager

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Ans.

April 4, 1940

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

The first 1940 meeting of the Florida Advisory Committee on Women's Participation in the New York World's Fair will be held on Friday, April 12, at 9:00 A.M., in the Miami Women's Club, Miami.

At this meeting several projects of interest and importance to every member of the Florida Committee will be presented. Mrs. Oswald B. Lord, our National Chairman, will be present at the meeting and will talk to us about new developments in the Fair. Of special interest is the fact that the Florida Advisory Committee on Women's Participation has been invited by Eastern Airlines to be its guests on courtesy flights from the Miami airport following the meeting. At this time, we hope to have a radio broadcast from the plane on women's part in the new and better Fair. At this time, there will be outlined a unique and spectacular plan for a Mass Flight to the Fair on Opening Day, May 11.

Will you be good enough to address your acceptance to me at the earliest possible moment so that we may let the airline know how many wish to take the courtesy flight. As it will be necessary for us to drive to the airport, will you be good enough to indicate whether you will have a car, and if so, how many passengers you can take.

Please do make every effort to be present. I shall look forward to the pleasure of seeing you at that time.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Pearce

(Mrs. E. D. Pearce)
Vice Chairman, Florida Advisory
Committee on Women's Participation
1645 Southwest 14 Street
Miami, Florida

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Florida Advisory Committee on
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Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

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WASHINGTON SQUARE, NEW YORK

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION
AND HEALTH

General

Mrs. Mitchell: Ask them to send another questionnaire as we have not received the one sent March 4

April 5, 1940

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona, Florida

have not received such a questionnaire

Dear President Bethune:

I am continuing my effort to conduct a study of Dental Health conditions in Negro Colleges under the advice of Professor Jay B. Nash, Chairman of the Department of Physical Education and Health of New York University.

Under date of March 4, 1940, I sent a letter accompanied by a questionnaire to you with the request that you or your health officer, Dr. Adams, fill it in and return it to us. We realize that a college president is almost "swamped" with such requests and that it takes time to answer them. I hope, however, that you will be gracious enough to favor us with a reply and in so doing cooperate with us in this much-needed study.

Thanking you in advance for an early reply, allow me to remain

Very truly yours,

Jno. A. Turner
John A. Turner

Please send reply to:

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Daytona Beach,Fla.

Gentlemen:

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Thanking you for this order, we are

Yours very truly,

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Thank you

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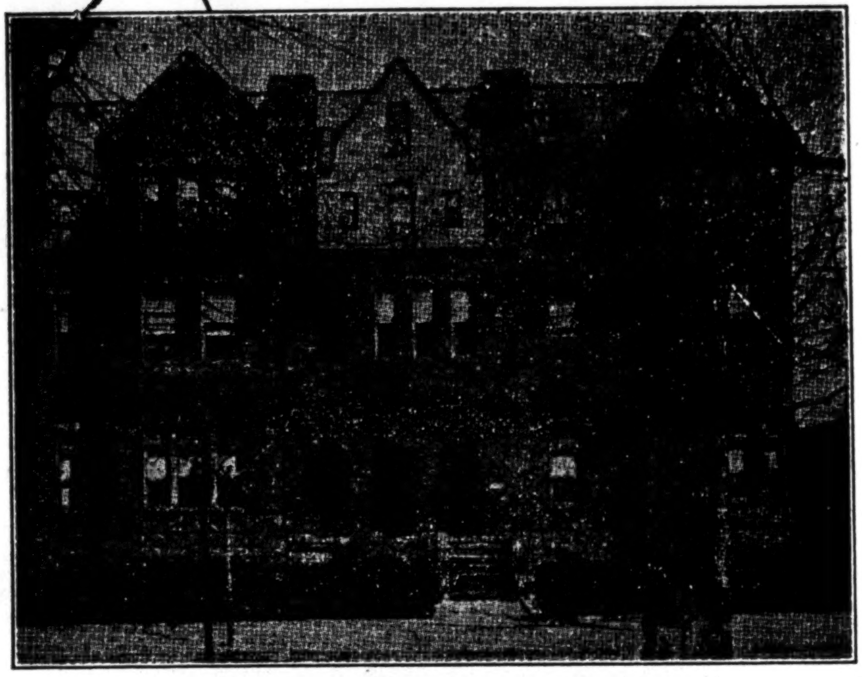

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ADDRESS: 208 PATTON AVENUE, N. W.
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April 9, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLoud Bethune
President, Bethune-Cookum College
Daytona,Beach, Florida

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Your letter explaining your inability to come to Roanoke for the 14th, was received in time for us to make the disappointing announcement Sunday morning. Sickness of course, is always a justifiable excuse. But why did you have to get sick at this time?

We had started advertising your coming two or three weeks ago, and the young women were making,together with my help, abundant preparation for your coming.

Everybody seemed jublilant over the fact that the woman of whom they had heard so much, and the woman whom a few of them has seen, was to make her appearance finally in Roanoke.

The girls of the Sorority took sick and just what to do was hard to decide. If you had just thought to suggest someone or send someone to represent you, and because they came as your representative, they would have been better than any we could have selected. Since you did not think to do that, I decided because of, your illness, it was hardly fair to burden you with the responsibility of trying to send someone in your stead.

We are hoping still that some day, it will be our pleasure to have you come to Roanoke, and that you will be well and strong.

We know
of no such dance
Would be interested to being
know where it is
held.
Ben.

One-hundred And Sixteen Fayerweather St.
Cambridge, Massachusetts

April 12, 1940

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Bethune Cookman College,
Daytona Beach , Fla.

Dear Sir : -

I notice advertised a dance affair here at a hall in Boston, to take place soon which states " Benefit Bethune Cookman College " This is not understod and would like more information concerning same.

It may be that rival organizations promoting dances are using names without authority, to draw attraction. Therefore if so, something should be done very fast to stop this friction .

Youre truly ,
Luwaugh J. Holmes
L. J. H.

138 W. 139th St.,
N.Y.C. Apt. A5
April 14, 1940.

Mrs. M. M. Bethune Pres.
Bethune-Cookman College.
Daytona, Fla.

Dear Madam;

Will you kindly send me the necessary information or a booklet on board and intuition for boys at the age of ten. !

Thanking you in advance.

Respectfully yours,

Essie G. Smith

Washington School
Wichita Falls, Texas
April 15, 1940

Mrs. Mary McCleod Bethume
Cookman College

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Twenty two of the 48 states in the union have Negro assistant state directors of the National Youth Administration, all of the Southern States, except Texas, being included in that number. This recognition by your administration is considered by Negroes as a forward step in better race relations here in the South, and at the same time, a distinct recognition of merit, as well as a kind of reward for good citizenship.

When the question comes up for the appointment of a Negro assistant to the present director in Texas, may we not urge upon you to use your influence for a Negro?

In this connection, I am submitting the name of Mr. S. W. Houston, Huntsville, Texas, who is an applicant for the prospective position, for your consideration.

Mr. Houston is not only a highly successful school principal and administrator, he is also- what is far more rare, an unusually intelligent and capable Negro leader whose understanding of Negro youth problems is attested by his long tenure as school principal in the community where he grew up, and the high esteem in which he is held by both white and black people in the state at large.

Very truly yours,

A. E. Holland
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April 15, 1940

My dear Mary:

You don't know how it distresses me to learn that you are not well. you perhaps have been over taxing your strength just as I have - I am hoping that your trip to John Hopkins proved good news for you instead of worries. I recieved your membership and your second letter. Please accept my thanks for both - On your Thirty fifth Anniversary I wire you a pledge for One dollars for each year - The enclose Check will cover that pledge - I wanted to send you 35 One dollar bills (new) but decided that procedure would be risky - I wish for you God's richest blessings - Also I hope you will soon begin to realize that you nor I are so young as we use to be if we are to protect what we have done we must preserve our selves and conserve what mental force we have left to guide

the young people who are to carry on when
we can be no longer with them -
For the first time in along time I forced my
self to remain in bed until 9 a m today I
felt so tired - after my Membership drive and
so Many other demands on me I simply
had to stop - The drive was a fine Challenge
with glorious response from the people
2600 individual members who gave $6380.18
This was good but we fell short of our gal by
300 members and $1120.00 dollars I believe
we will get in another two hundred dollars -
by the time ~~before~~ all the fragment are gather in This
will enable us to go forward to build the
new Camp although we had to borrow
$12000 = It was my hope that we would
never borrow again - Well this is enough
about P.W.A. Please write me some
about your self - With lots of love
Remember I am anxious about you
and Nannie - Charlotte was here in
March for a Minute with Mugs over Jordan
Write me soon.

Fondly
Jane

Donor

HARRY M. GRIFFIN - A.I.A. ARCHITECT
TELEPHONE 1428 - 309 NORTH GRANDVIEW AVENUE
DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA

April 16, 1940

Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune,

In response to your letter of April 12 I am enclosing a check for $25.00. I wish I could make it more but feel this is all I can spare at this time.

Wishing you success in your drive for funds, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Harry M. Griffin

HARRY M. GRIFFIN, A.I.A.
ARCHITECT

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Sent
April 23

General

April 17, 1940.

Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Gentlemen:

I had the pleasure of being present on the Campus of your college for the program at your thirty-fifth aniversary. Since coming home, I have told several of your fine school and the wonderful work you are doing with the colored youth.

I have been asked to give a talk about the college before a group of Methodist women here in the city. While in Daytona, I was unable to get pictures of the college buildings or as much data about the college as I would have liked.

Will you please send me any literature you have about the college or write me and tell me the number of students enrolled-the courses you give-the number of graduates and any other bits of information I could use in telling of your school.

Will you kindly send this by return mail if possible as I will need it on the 24th of this month. Thank you so much.

Sincerely Ethel R. Hewett

Mrs. L.C.Hewett
214 Allen Park Place- Oneida, N. Y.

2602, 29th: St.

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Tampa. Florida, April. 18th: 1940.
Dr. M.M. Bethune
Daytona Beach, Fla.

My Dear Friend:-
This will let you Know that I tuned in on you this morning to wish you a Successfull trip to the general Conference. I Know that you is very busy with the College and other matters, but please Consentrate your mind on South Florida and its needs. I will not be there, but hope to meet you at the next meeting in June. We want this to remain an Annual Conference or a mission. We do not want to be a part of the Florida Conference. Again we want our Share of the Field Representatives. We need men now who Can Sell the Methodist Church to the people. Since conference, I have planted the church in Sebring and Palmetto. The College need to be sold to the Boys and Girls out in the Rural Sections of Florida. There is Some fine Timber out there for the future of our Race. We are

depending on you and Dr. H. H. Bailey to look after the Interest of our fine State. The Fruit is ripe now. The Market is open, Religious Educational Salemen is our greatest need. The Salemen must be men and Women who can sell the new Idea to every Body. The Public Schools of the Country will soon close, and there are hundreds of Boys and Girls that will finish high School. We need them down there to take the places of those who are to finish. Other Denominations are out there Canvassing, and we must do the Same. We have the best to offer, so let us get on the Job. Just a few Dollars will do the Work. Look out for us up there. I am going to Send up a daily petition for you. I hope to read of you in the daily Advocate.

With best wishes for your Health,

I am yours in Christ,

Daisson S. Selmore

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WHOLESALE
Jacksonville, Florida

April 19, 1940

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach
Florida

Gentlemen:

We wish to thank you for an order received today which we immediately passed on for credit.

However, we would like to again call your attention to the fact that your account still remains very much past due. We realize that at times you have difficulties in trying to make prompt payments, but we feel that due to the fact that your school term is nearly over and the account is past due, that you will wish to cooperate with us by letting us have your check by return mail to apply on this account.

We shall greatly appreciate your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

C Colley

CREDIT DEPARTMENT

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The Crusader
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Student

108 Orange Ave. Arcadia Fla.
April 20, 1940

Dear Mrs. Bethune

This is Tom Watson Mitchell Mother, Writing you. I guess you know Tom Watson, because he is there in your school on a scholarship.

Mrs. Bethune, I am sorry we were not able to pay for Tom Watson schooling this quarter. He is still at school working. I asked him to stay there because I am so anxious for him to finish school.

Mrs. Bethune I am asking you to give him a full scholarship for the next term if You Can and will. As we are not able to take Care of his expense.

Please oblige me if possible.

From a friend.

Mrs. Lanie Mitchell

P.S. Please let me hear from You.

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Music for Choir, Church and Sunday School
Dayton, Ohio

Sorry
We do not
have Mr. Ross
address on
file –

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

April 23, 1940.

Dr Mary Bethune
c/o Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach Fla

Dear Madam,

We are writing you about a matter that may not appeal to you in any way, and if you feel that you do not want to have any part in the transaction, just be frank and say so.

Mr. John A. Ross, originally director of music in the Mt. Zion A. M. E. Church in Jacksonville, Fla., has failed to pay for the music used in the services of that church. We have written the pastor and presented the case to him, but all of our letters and statements are ignored.

Mr. Ross was for a short time located in Daytona Beach, connected with Bethune-Cookman College, but we understand he is now back in Jacksonville. If you can give us his new address, or tell us how to proceed to induce this church to pay its account, we shall appreciate it very much. Enclosed is a postage-paid envelope for your convenience in making a reply. Thank you very much.

Yours very truly,

LORENZ PUBLISHING COMPANY.

C F Mann

CFM:G

P.S. The amount of the bill is $22.86.

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Supreme Bench
of
Baltimore City

JOSEPH N. ULMAN
JUDGE

April 24, 1940.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
c/o Johns Hopkins Hospital
Baltimore, Maryland.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I enjoyed so much my visit with you yesterday afternoon that I have been wondering what I could do to make your stay in the hospital more pleasant. I have decided that the thing that will mean the most to you is a gift to Bethune-Cookman College. Accordingly I enclose my check for twenty-five dollars and am very sorry that I cannot make it for a larger amount.

I have had a talk with Mrs. Friedenwald, of whom I spoke to you yesterday, and she will probably pay you a visit during the next few days. Here is a real chance for you to use your peculiar and special talents in improving race relations.

With kindest regards and best wishes for a speedy and full recovery of your health, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

Joseph N. Ulman

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Knight Brothers Paper Company
WHOLESALE
Jacksonville, Florida

April 25 1940

Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach Florida

Gentlemen:

We have your letter of April 24th addressed to the Credit Department.

The matter is entirely satisfactory, we will not expect you to pay it. We will try to watch this closely in the future and make sure that no one takes advantage of us from your school.

Naturally, of course, the letter coming in here and signed by the Bethune-Cookman College, we understand now that this man had no authority to do this, however, we were anxious to give you service and our order department wrote the order up.

We sincerely regret any annoyance or inconvenience that this may have caused you.

Yours very truly

KNIGHT BROTHERS PAPER CO

J W Knight

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Donor

Mrs. Frank W. Forbes
12 High Street
Westborough, Massachusetts

April 28. 1940

My dear Mrs. Bethune,-

Enclosed please find my check for Bethune-Cookman College

Very truly
Mrs. F. W. Forbes.

Gen. School.
Donation

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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Dr. Mary M. Bethune
Daytona Beach
Florida

(Bethune Cookman Colledge)

Dear Dr. Bethune,

Truly, I was happy to receive your letter and I thank you for the kind statements expressed there in. I hope that your health is much improved. Bid you God's speed in your work.

Yours for service

J S Jarvis

General

São Paulo, April 30th, 1940.

Mrs. Mary Mc Leod Bethune
President of BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

As a member of the Negro race, having been studying and observing the part Brazilian Negroes are playing in this large country and, above all, being myself a sincere wisher for the welfare of our people all over the world, I feel that it is time to start a kind of "good neighbor" policy between the Brazilian and American Negroes.

As you possibly know, since the abolition of slavery in Brazil the Negro race has been kept powerless by the whites due the great blood admixture between the two races.

In the light of present day conditions, the Brazilian Negro is losing ground before any other racial group in this big melting pot called Brazil. The industrialization of our country has just begun, and the ever increasing demand for skilled labor is already becoming more and more insistent from year to year. It is with the greatest sorrow that I see members of our race being barred from jobs only because they are black, being the positions filled by whites, national and foreign as well.

As you see, Mrs. Bethune, the Brazilian Negro is now facing the same situation the American colored race did when industrialization reached the South of your country a few decades ago. For

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the most part of the Brazilian Negroes the modern ways of agriculture are unknown, being very unusual one sees a wealthy Negro farmer throughout Brazil. They generally work for their white plantation owners under the lowest standard of living.

There are several agricultural schools in Brazil two of which being recognized as the best in South America and among the first in the world; Escola de Agrônomia Luiz de Queiroz, located in Piracicaba, state of São Paulo, and Escola de Agronomia de Viçosa, state of Minas Geraes. Both schools have done wonderful work on their field and have drawn students even from abroad, but the Negro element has been the less gifted with the benefits of agricultural education.

The reason is, in my thinking, the lack of interest on agriculture among our race added to the low educational standard of our people before the requirements for admission into those agricultural schools. A movement to arise interest on country life and work among our group is urgent. A rural school should be opened with principal and teachers from our race, where not only agriculture but all the common things of every day life would be taught to our ~~people~~ pupils, with emphasis on order, morals, religion and cleanliness; an institution which would carry on the principles and spirit of TUSKEGEE AND HAMPTON. That is the kind of education we need down here in Brazil.

I am very desirous of going to one of those two famous Negro institutes, but I have found much hardships Nevertheless, I hope that somebody will understand my humane intentions and help me. What do you think about my aims? I have been reading about you for a long time through newspapers and reviews. I know you are one of the first women in America today and may be you could help me in that way. Your college is a testimony of your high spirit of democracy and freedom. Your activities as Director of the National Youth Administration is another incontestable proof of your advanced spirit.

Mrs. Bethune, I have been always an admirer of the American Negro activities and I would like very much to see my people united in all the Americas, now that the panamericanization of them is something real and we Negroes are a great part of the population in the Americas.

Please send me some pictures of your college campus and activities. I am now an elementary teacher in this school which is directed by a Negro professor José Euzebio dos Santos. The school was named after the great Negro poet Cruz e Souza who introduced the symbolism school in Brazil. We have teachers and pupils of both races being the whites larger in number. We hope to increase and improve our school by creating a technical and agricultural school.

Hoping to hear from you soon, I remain respectfully

yours

Joaquim Luiz Santos

Joaquim Luiz Santos

Please write to. ESCOLA CRUZ E SOUZA
Rua Silva Bueno, nº8
Ypiranga
São Paulo
Brazil - America do Sul

General Correspondence (Incoming) May - Decem

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MONTAGUE ROSENBERG
Attorney and Counselor at Law
1010-11-12 Graham Building
Jacksonville, Fla.

May 1, 1940

Bethune-Cookman College
Second Av.
Daytona Beach
Florida

Re: Auto Mutual Indemnity Co.
Vs: Bethune-Cookman College
Assessment Orders:
\$.50; \$16.71; \$.50; \$8.33

Gentlemen:

In the above matter client has tendered me a check for costs and fees for institution of suit. Before placing same for appropriate action, I am advising you hereof to give you an opportunity to pay this amount and save expense and embarrassment.

Client's reports indicate that you have a hitherto favorable credit record and a net worth in excess of all amounts necessary to take care of this claim. Unless, however, I hear from you in the next 5 days with payment in full, I shall have no alternative save to institute suit as instructed.

Very truly yours,

MONTAGUE ROSENBERG

mr/d

Referred to Dean Bond Gen

541 Elizabeth ave
Elizabeth N. J.
May - 6 - 1940

Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Fla -

Dearest Mrs Bethune. -

I am Writting asking a little favor of you, if Not to Much, listen I begain an extension Course With your school in 1934, owning to Condition I did Not Complete the Course be Cause I had to Work during the time of Course Prof Scotts was Very nice to me in trying to help out by sending the studies through Mail, Then after My sister wanted to ~~s~~take a Course So I adviced her to go to your College for the Florida exam for teacher's, So she did thats Why I didnt Complete, my term with Prof Scott. I had to help her, Miss Willie Walden, So I wander if You Would give me Credite if Dr Acakerman Would write I want to take the Jersey registeration For Nurses, So he said if any School I attended besige the Norman School in Thomasville he would gladely advise me What to do, So if I Could give your address I would appreciate it Very much

Allen Normal wasn't an Accrediate School, I wrote Mr Scott hasn't got any answere all they want is the crediate from the School. if you Can't give Any I appreciate it if you would Write and let me know, my work is Nursing- So kindly write if Not asking to much of you,

Yours truly
Miss Lovetta Walden-
541 Elizabeth ave.,
Elizabeth. N J -

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COOPERATIVE EXTENSION WORK
IN
AGRICULTURE AND HOME ECONOMICS
STATE OF FLORIDA

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE,
UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA,
AND UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT
OF AGRICULTURE,
COOPERATING

AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE
COUNTY AGENT AND
HOME DEMONSTRATION WORK

Florida A and M College
Tallahassee, Florida

May 7, 1940

TO LOCAL AGENTS,
VOCATIONAL TEACHERS OF AGRICULTURE AND
FARMERS' COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATIONS

Dear Sir or Madam:

We use this means of thanking you for your cooperation in the effort being made to stimulate interest in raising more and better sweet potatoes in your county in the future.

Enclosed, herewith, we are sending you copy of a letter from Mr. T. J. Jordan, State Agent In Negro Work in the State of Louisiana; also Reprint, copied from the Editorial page of the Tampa Morning Tribune of May 6. These are self-explanatory, and for your information on the "Educational Tour" made April 22 and 23, by Farm Agents, R. E. Wyer, of Leon; McKinley Jeffers, of Columbia; O. W. Nealy, of Jackson; and E. P. Smith, of Marion Counties, to the University of Louisiana and the Louisiana Potato Association at St. Francisville, Louisiana, in quest of information on and facts about the pure Porto Rico sweet potato which originated in that state, under supervision of Dr. Julian C. Miller, Head of Horticultural Research, University of Louisiana.

Yours truly,

A A Turner
A. A. Turner
LOCAL DISTRICT AGENT

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COOPERATIVE EXTENSION WORK
In
AGRICULTURE AND HOME ECONOMICS

Louisiana State University
and Agricultural And
Mechanical College And
United States Department of
Agriculture, cooperating

State of Louisiana

Extension Service

Southern University
Scotlandville, Louisiana

May 2, 1940

Mr. A. A. Turner, Local District Agent
Agricultural Extension Service
Florida A and M College
Tallahassee, Florida

Dear Mr. Turner:

Your letter came while I was out in the State. I received your wire Sunday April 21 advising me that four of your County Agents would be at my office on Monday morning.

It was a pleasure for me to give your men assistance. They were so enthusiastic about getting information on sweet potato culture in Louisiana until one could not help unfolding himself if he had any information that was worth giving out.

After visiting the Agriculture Plant here at Southern University we went down to Dr. J. Miller's office where we held a conference with him, Mr. J. B. Garrett, County Agent of West Feliciana parish and Mr. Daniel, St. Francisville, La. May I state that Mr. Daniel has carried on some outstanding experiments in sweet potato growing under Dr. Miller's direction. This has helped Dr. Miller to prove his methods away from the University. Most of us feel that the school's success in most anything is due largely to the amount of money that the school has to spend. All of it does not depend upon the money it depends upon money and brain to have continued success. Henry Wells a Negro farmer of East Baton Rouge parish, Port Hudson, La., was included in our tour. Mr. Wells has been a very successful sweet potato grower; he does not grow a stalk of cotton and is rated as one of the best sweet potato growers in this section.

Do not hesitate to call upon me at any time you feel that I can be of service to you.

I hope to see you at Tuskegee this summer so we can talk things over and about them freely. Bring some of your Agents in order that we might be able to work out some plans in a group.

We were happy to have your agents visit us and want you to understand that the gate is open and you are welcome at any time.

Yours sincerely,
(s)
T. J. Jordan
State Agent in Negro Work

REPRINT - EDITORIAL SECTION - TAMPA MORNING TRIBUNE
Monday, May 6, 1940

This is not a big story but it illustrates the extent to which business men and Chambers of Commerce in various counties of the state cooperate to aid Florida agriculture.

Farmers of Florida have been unable to compete successfully with those in other Southern states in the commercial production of sweet potatoes, mainly because of the poor quality of seed stock. A group of business men recently made it possible for four farm agents of Central and North Florida counties to visit the University of Louisiana and the State Experiment Station to study improved methods of sweet potato breeding, raising and use.

In addition, arrangements have been made, through the cooperation of the Florida Farmers' Cooperative Association, to purchase 200,000 certified plants of the Louisiana strain of pure Porto Rico sweet potatoes. These will be distributed among selected farmers in 20 Florida counties, including Hillsborough. This will prove of particular benefit to Florida's industrious Negro farmers.

It is probable that in the not too distant future Florida farmers will have improved considerably the quality of yield per acre of the Florida sweet potato. The credit, of course, should go to those far-seeing business men and others interested in the program who made the forward step possible.

Please send material

Sent 10:00 a [illegible] May 9 1940

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315 N.W.8th Street,
Miami, Fla.

May 7th.,1940.

To the Acting President,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Fla.

My dear Sir:-

I have been requested by some mebers of The Press, in Haiti, to obtain some biographical data on the life of Mrs. Mary Mc Leod Bethune, for publication.

Will you be able to help me meet their request,no matter how brief and incomplete? If so, kindly rush same to me, and oblige,

Yours very truly,

Alonzo P. Holly M.D.

Closed

Material
Sent
May 14, 1940

A. and I. State College
Nashville, Tennessee
May 8, 1940

Miss Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Dayton Beach, Florida

Dear Miss Bethune:

I am a student in the Tennessee Agricultural and Industrial State College, Nashville, Tennessee. As an English project I am making a collection of biographies. Will you kindly send to me the following information:

1. Date and place of birth.
2. Early Education
3. Parentage
4. College education.
5. Experiences in life.
6. Accomplishments.
7. Philosophy of life.

This information will be very much appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Evelyn Marchbanks

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Florida A and M College
Tallahassee, Florida
May 8, 1940

Thank Mr. Turner
Tell him Mrs Bethune
still in hospital

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA

Dear Madam Bethune:

We thought you would be interested in the enclosed communication addressed to those groups participating with the program of our work, in connection with the sweet potato project under way. This is being sent for your information, and explains itself.

Yours very truly,

A. A. Turner

A. A. Turner
LOCAL DISTRICT AGENT

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MONTAGUE ROSENBERG
Counsellor at Law
1011 Graham Bldg.
Jacksonville, Florida

5-2661
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Phones

May 8, 1940

Bethune-Cookman College
Attn: Bertha L. Mitchell
Daytona Beach, Florida

Re: Auto Mutual Indemnity Co.
Amt. $.50 $.50 $16.71 $8.33

Dear Madam:

Thank you very much for your letter of May 3rd. I am attaching hereto a copy of a letter that I have written to local Defendants explaining this liability in full. I respectfully refer you to the case of Commissioner of North Carolina Banks vs. Harris, 167 So. 25, for a fuller explanation of the liability herein.

I appreciate that this is a trivial amount but under the orders of the New York Supreme Court under which we work prosecution must be made of all these claims in equity and in fairness. We have a pending Federal Court suit in which, unless these matters are otherwise settled, it will be necessary to make party-defendants of all unpaid claims.

If you will be good enough to read the citations in the enclosed copy of a letter setting out the nature and legal sufficiency of this liability, I am certain you will rest assured, particularly after examining the Florida case above referred to, that you are liable in this respect.

Very truly yours,

MONTAGUE ROSENBERG

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CABLE ADDRESS "TRESAHOTEL"

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PRIVATE OFFICE

HOTEL THERESA

SEVENTH AVENUE
AT 125TH STREET
NEW YORK

May 9, 1940

Dr. Mary Mc Leod Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Dr. Bethune:

A short time ago you received a letter from us announcing the accommodations now available at the Hotel Theresa.

May we then ask that the bulletin board committee of your school place the enclosed bulletin on their calendar for the benefit of those who may be planning a trip to New York.

Very truly yours,

W W Scott

Walter W. Scott
Manager

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FEDERAL WORKS AGENCY
WORK PROJECTS ADMINISTRATION
49 WEST DUVAL STREET
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

ROY SCHRODER
STATE ADMINISTRATOR

May 13, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

During the past five years various projects of the Professional and Service Division of the work Projects Administration have operated in your community. These projects provide a variety of services, all designed to contribute to the welfare of your citizens and locality.

THIS WORK PAYS YOUR COMMUNITY and we want the public to become better acquainted with the variety, scope and methods of the Professional and Service program. With this in view, every project in this Division throughout the Nation, will observe Open House during the week of May 20-25.

Mrs. Rolla A. Southworth, State Director of the Professional and Service Division, joins me in extending to you a cordial invitation to participate in this special event. Your cooperation as a sponsor, or friend, of one or more of these projects will assist materially in making this week a real success. We hope you will attend one of the project dinners to be held on May 20 and that you will visit, and invite your friends to visit, various units in your community.

Very truly yours

Roy Schroder

Roy Schroder
State Administrator

FEDERAL WORKS AGENCY--WORK PROJECTS ADMINISTRATION
OF FLORIDA

ROY SCHRODER
STATE ADMINISTRATOR

49 West Duval Street
Jacksonville, Florida

May 16, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

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Sincerely yours,

Roy Schroder

Roy Schroder
State Administrator

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National Council of Negro Women of the United States, Inc.
Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, *Founder and National President*

Executive Secretary
Mrs. Carita V. Roane
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May 23, 1940

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The Trustees, Faculty and Graduating Classes
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

GREETINGS!

The National Council of Negro Women heartily congratulate you on your sixty-seventh Commencement.

With all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Carita V. Roane

Carita V. Roane
Executive Secretary

CVR/bmc

OUR OFFICIAL PUBLICATION; *"AFRAMERICAN WOMEN'S JOURNAL"*

Answered

HAMPTON INSTITUTE
HAMPTON, VIRGINIA

ARTHUR HOWE, President
ROBERT OGDEN PURVES, Vice President-Treasurer

DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY

Referred to Mrs. Bunch

(Kindly return letter after reading)

May 25, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

ATTENTION:

My dear Mrs. Bethune,

At last I have gotten off the rest of the equipment and other materials (stains) which go with the China Kiln.

With these, the Kiln may be set up in perfect order for use. I am including in the barrel a large number of (several hundred) vials of dyes and colors which the late Mrs. Turner had bought for use. I trust that your art department will find much profit in them and I hope, myself, to see, sometime, some of the results.

I regret very much that you are still confined to the hospital in Baltimore. Mrs. Turner told me of her call upon you while there this weekend. It is gratifying that your health is improving and that you are on the road to rapid recovery.

With best regards from both of us,

Sincerely,

Thomas W. Turner

Thomas W. Turner, Head
Department of Biology

TWT/pt. You sent me check for $12.00
I am sending receipts for $11.60
I paid $.50 for packing the barrel.
Sincerely T. W. Turner

Gen.

FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY
U. S. OFFICE OF EDUCATION
WASHINGTON

May 28, 1940

Sent to Library
June 3, 1940

Dr. Mary McL. Bethune
President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Dr. Bethune:

Now that your institution is making plans for the 1940-41 school year, I am writing you in the interest of those enrollees of the Civilian Conservation Corps who are ready and anxious to pursue higher educational work. Nearly 15 percent of our enrollment in the camps are high-school graduates, and some have completed a part of their college work. An opportunity should be made available to those enrollees desiring it to continue their higher education.

I am attaching herewith a copy of a list of institutions which indicates the extent to which colleges and universities granted scholarships or other financial aid to CCC men during the school year 1939-40. This type of encouragement enabled a total of 564 men to pursue higher training.

If your institution is in a position to extend such assistance during the coming school year, this Office or its field representatives will be happy to recommend a number of deserving enrollees for your consideration. In case your school is already among those offering help to CCC men, I trust that you will find it possible to renew this aid next fall.

May I express to you the sincere desire of our CCC educational personnel for your continued interest and cooperation in the development of the camp program. Our camps, of course, are in need of additional reading materials, visual aids, correspondence and extension courses, speakers and instructors. The camps would also welcome the use of educational facilities on your campus, such as libraries, classrooms, shops and laboratories. Wherever it is possible for your institution to help a nearby CCC camp along these or similar lines, I trust you will see fit to do so.

With sincere appreciation for your interest and cooperation, I am,

Very truly yours,

Howard W. Oxley
Director of CCC Camp Education

Enc.

General

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF METHODIST YOUTH
740 RUSH STREET
Chicago, Illinois

1940 May 28

TO METHODIST YOUTH LEADERS

Dear Friend:

We are sending, under separate cover, a supply of flyers regarding the 1940 National Conference of Methodist Youth for distribution to your student group. As you already know, this great biennial gathering will meet at the close of the coming summer, August 27th to September 1st, at Winona Lake, Indiana. This year's conference promises to climax the great series of Evanston, Berea, and Boulder. Meeting in the midst of a great national hysteria, Methodist youth will have the opportunity to chart their course for the coming biennium from the great fundamental convictions of the Christian faith. This will be no routine matter!

The keynote address on "Temples Still Undone" will be delivered by Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, of Boston. Dean Howard Thurman will speak on "The Faith By Which We Build", and Dr. Kirby Page will discuss "Reconciliation - the Christian Way". Professor Paul Minear, of Garrett Biblical Institute, is to give a series of morning talks on the living Bible. Dr. Russell Bayliff and Dr. James Chubb will speak on "What of the Church?" and "We Build With Thee". A town meeting representing different viewpoints on the international situation, panel discussions, dramatic presentations, and over twenty commissions under the nation's most stimulating leadership will add to the richness and significance of the program.

Your group should certainly make arrangements now that it will be well represented. Winona will long be remembered as the Conference of 1940.

Sincerely yours,

Tom Pendell

Thomas R. Pendell

TRP:w

Gen'l

Kansas Wesleyan University
Salina, Kansas

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

May 30, 1940

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Trustees, Faculty, and
Graduating Classes
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Friends:

Thank you for the invitation to attend your commencement exercises of May 24 to 31. We should have enjoyed being present, but the proximity of our own commencement made it impossible.

We extend congratulations and best wishes to your graduates.

Sincerely yours

E. K. Morrow

E. K. Morrow, President

RM:cf

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SPEAKERS' BUREAU
June 1940

Dear Soror Bethune,

As you know, members of our sorority devote the month of May to activities which will show the progress, scope and activity of Delta Sigma Theta during the year or years, Among other events, it has been the custom --especially on college campuses-- to have a May-Week speaker who will in dynamic fashion represent our group admirably. It is not, however, desirable to have this speaker dwell upon the merits of the sorority but rather to have her speak so convincingly, thoughtfully and in such a stimulating manner on the subject of her choice that the audience will react favorably to her and, in time, to the entire sorority.

Your name has been suggested and highly recommended as a representative speaker for Delta programs as outlined above. If you will accept this request which carries with it a degree of honor and prestige, will you fill out the enclosed questionnaire and return it immediately?

Before accepting, we shall ask you to remember that you will probably be called upon to speak at least once during the month of May and, doubtless, in January (Delta Birthday Month). The day and time can be arranged so that your work will not suffer, if you are employed at the time. You will be called upon to go at a distance of from one to two hundred miles from your home. The chapter which invites you is expected to bear part or all of your expenses but it must be borne in mind that in many cases these are usually undergraduates whom you will be serving and that pullman rates are generally prohibitive. The cordial and enthusiastic reception which the Sorors give their speakers more than atones for any inconvenience to which you may have put yourself in preparing your speech or in arranging to leave home. Moreover, you will have rendered the sorority a tremendous service; a service which only you and a few others are capable of rendering.

May I hear from you at your earliest convenience. If you cannot serve in 1941, but will be able to serve in the future, please state: inactive in SPEAKERS' BUREAU in 1941.

Fraternally yours,

Mae T. Wright

Mae T. Wright

Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

June 2, 1940.

Dear Miss Hampton,

I am hereby giving my permission for Elizabeth to go to the Y.W.C.A Convention to be held in Talladega. I am very sorry, however, that I am unable to assume any financial responsible for the trip.

I Trust that it will be quite successful for everyone concerned.

Very sincerely yours,
(Mrs.) Annette E. Girardeau

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FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY
U. S. OFFICE OF EDUCATION
WASHINGTON

File Reference:
C-29 (6-7-40)

June 7, 1940

Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune
President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Dr. Bethune:

I am happy to receive your very kind letter of June 1, 1940, in which you enclose an offer of aid to prospective students from the Civilian Conservation Corps. Your letter has been forwarded to our Corps Area Educational Adviser at Atlanta, Georgia, Dr. Henry R. Halsey, who will take appropriate action in connection with this matter at an early date.

Sincerely yours,

Howard W. Oxley
Director of CCC Camp Education

File

1016 Highland Ave.
Tampa Florida
June 9, 1940

Madam M. McLeod Bethune
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach Fla.

Dear Madam:

I am here in requesting that you will please assist me in obtaining my Graduate State Certificate. I completed my teacher's training course in your College last summer and I also received my Diploma.

I truly hope that you will help me since I have undergone somuch expenses and hard study in securing my graduation.

A failure on my part to receive the Graduate Certificate will be a serious handicap to my future success.

Please let me know if you will help me so that I can get a position.

Very truly
(Miss) Juanita R. Groover

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Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

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Yours very truly

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June 11, 1940

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this opportunity
and will
recommend
a girl from
our school,
after the
opening in
Sept.

The President of Bethune-Cookman College
631 Pearl Street
Daytona Beach

Dear Madam:

End of September we will move to Daytona Beach; my husband Rev. E. C. Kirman - will retire from the active ministry but our mission will be to bring better understanding between the white people and the colored people in the South.

Our income will be small, and I wondered, if one of your students who wants to major in French would like to learn how to speak French and do our housework in the same time.

The enclosed copy of my license paper as French highschoolteacher (95) shows you that I passed my American examinations. I am born in France and was head of the French Department in the famous Brantwood Hall School - Bronxville - New York. I would always speak French with your student and would help her with her studies. She would come perhaps from 1 - 6 PM a day and we could pay her $3.- a week. If after 2 or 3 months you would like to give the opportunity to another student, it would be all right with us, so that the whole year round we would have one of your students who want to learn the real French.

I am sending you here a snapshot of our house, you may ask for references: Mr. Charles Prettyman - 356 S. Beach Street, Daytona Beach - who knows us very well.

If you need anytime a speaker (about missions in China, among the cannibals in the South Sea Islands) my husband will gladly come to your college.

Hoping that we may work together for the Lord we send you our kindest regards.

We would appreciate very much a prompt answer

Sincerely yours

Jeanne Linké - Kirman
30 Underhill Street.
Tuckahoe - New York

Route 3, Box 357
Statesville, North Carolina
June 11th 1940

Dear Mrs. Bethune,

I am just a poor girl without a father and a mother who is not able to help me. I have Completed elementary and high school, and wish to further my education by a College Course. I have chosen Hampton College as my choice beCause it is a school that will allow poor girls to work their way through school.

In reading I have read of your many deeds in helping your race toward education. Will you please inform me as to what would be best for me to do, or if I can get any help from the Youth Administration? Under what terms do one get help from this government?

If you Can and will help me get a loan or a gift from the Youth Administration I am sure you will never regret your effort.

Here we earn very little for our work, and therefore we can't save very much on a College Career. I want to get a good education and through this letter is my only hope. Please give this letter immediate Consideration and answer soon.

Very truly yours,
Rohena White

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536 N. Liberty Ave.
Alliance, Ohio
June 15, 1940

Pres. of Bethune-Cookman College.

Dear Madame:-,

I am applying entrance in your school for my son, who is now 12 B. in High school.

I desire him being in a boarding school for I feel that the best opportunities for him are in college.

I would like for him to work a portion of his way if possible. Could he get on your N.Y.A.?

I would like for him to enter this summer and take some studies. You will please tell me how much he would have to pay. I am a hard working woman.

Enclosed you will find a stamp for an early reply also send a catalogue.

Patiently awaits your reply.

Mrs. Florence Travers.
536 N. Liberty Ave., Alliance, Ohio

[illegible] Relief; Query of [illegible] W.P.A. Serv

409 Edgecombe ave
New York.
June 16, 1940

My dear Mrs Bethune:

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

For a very long time I have been planning to make my self known to you, but it seems as if on each of your visits to Ny something would prevent my seeing you.

I was in Haines Inst. with your
son Albert we were very close
friends I've met you many times
there, of course that was many
years ago and I would not
expect you to remember, however
I am sure Albert would
remember me.

I married a Haines acquaintance
who is now Dr James R. Westhemer.
I have lived in New York
for twelve years. After I left
Haines I went to Cheyney
Teachers College at Cheyney Pa.
majoring in Home Economics.
Later taking special work
at Simmons College, Boston
Mass. where I met & became
quite a friend of Charlotte
Hawkins Brown.

Mrs Bethune why I
am writing you is to ask

Your aid in obtaining a
Supervisory position in the NYA.
here in Ky. For seven years
I worked for the City as a social
worker in the Relief set up for
the past four years I have
worked as a teacher in the W.P.A.
with the relief status & relief pay.
There are many Supervisory
positions in the W.P.A as in the
NYA, these positions are

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apply to
nya State
Director

Venice, Illinois
June 18, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Jackson, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

Your profound interest and understanding of Negro Youth has inspired me to write to you.

I, too, am interested in Negro Youth. I think that the N.Y.A. is a wonderful program. I am wondering if there is a place in this state, or any state, especially around Illinois, where there is no such program for Negroes, and where I could be of any service.

My educational background and experience, I am sure, will enable me to cope with such a program, and be successful.

Will you kindly advise me as to what steps I must take in order to find out a community wherein I should be most helpful?

Thanking you very kindly for any information that you may give me, I am,

Very truly yours,
Glenden Walker
(Mrs.) Glenden Walker
Venice Post Office
Venice, Illinois

Ben

FEDERAL WORKS AGENCY--WORK PROJECTS ADMINISTRATION
OF FLORIDA

ROY SCHRODER
STATE ADMINISTRATOR

Jacksonville, Florida
June 25, 1940

Thank Dean for Guide

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Madam Mary McLeod Bethune
President, Bethune-Cookman College
Second Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Madam Bethune:

We are sending you today a copy of our Guide to Depositories of Manuscript Collections in Florida in which appears an entry for your library. Since the Guide is going out to a large number of individuals and libraries, it ought to serve the purpose both of stimulating research and of encouraging private owners of manuscripts to seek a safe public depository for them.

You may be interested to know that of the fifty volumes planned by the National Office for this series (one Guide for each state and the District of Columbia with a consolidated index for the whole), ours is the third to make its appearance. Thus only Pennsylvania and Massachusetts have preceded Florida in point of publication in this particular series.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank you personally for the friendly and cooperative spirit in which you have helped along the project of preparing this Guide. We hope that it may be useful to your library.

Very sincerely yours

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Sue A. Mahorner, State Supervisor

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cc: Miss Marion Cleveland

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Daytona Beach, Fla.

Gentlemen:

We are referring to your order #407, June 10, and are sorry to have to inform you that we could not get the beads on this order for you at that time. Should you still want these beads, please let us know and we shall try to get them for you.

Thank you for your business, and cooperation in this matter.

Yours truly,

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Receipt
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June 29, 1940

Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Gentlemen:

As per our telephone conversation, we are enclosing herewith, our check in the amount of $13.31 which is a refund on over payment of your account.

Very truly yours,

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54 S. Water Ave
Sharon, Pa.
June 30, 1940

Bethune Cookman School
Daytona Beach Fla.

Dear Madam,

On May 29th I purchased a scrap book on the grounds of the school of Rosabelle C. Bond and paid her one dollar & fifty cents (1.50) to mail same to me after putting "Belva & 1940 on book.

To date have not received the book. Thought perhaps she might have lost my address since it was since a busy time there Would have written before this but. because of sickness in the home & company just didn't get it done. This book was for a graduation gift & I am very sorry it has not come

Please may I hear from you concerning same

And oblige
Yours very truly
(Mrs) R. L. Jackson
54 S. Walter Ave
Sharon, Pa

Ardmore, Okla.
40 Burton St S.E.
July. 4. 1940

Mrs M. M. Bethune.
Daytona Beach. Fla.

My Dear Mrs Bethune.

I'm writing you, asking a favor. I'm the Wife of the pastor of Ardmore. we are in need of a Church here very bad. our present building is a condemned Shack. we are trying by the help of God an our friends to build; I'm heading the ladies of my Charge. Will you help us? The Ladies are Rallying against the men. Any amount you send me Will be so greatly appreciated an will help so very-very much. May I thank you in Advance for your donation.

I remain a Sister in Christ.
Mrs. I. A. Pointer.

Sorry -
We do not
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high School
students

White Hall
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama
July 9, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Principal, Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My Dear Mrs. Bethune,

I am interested in having my sister attend your school next year.

Please send me the requirements and qualifications for entrance.

My sister is second year high school and would like very much to attend your school.

I would thank you very much for the information regarding entrance.

May I hear from you at an early date.

Yours Sincerely
Christine C. Kitchens

General

Palmetto Fla
July 14th 1940

Will be honored to have high school named for me — etc — God's blessing upon them — etc

Dr Mary McLeod Bethune Pres
Bethune Cookman Colledge
Daytona Beach
Daytona Fla

My Dear Mrs Bethune.

At this place we are in our new school building a very nice brick building on late style.

We have just organized a P. Teachers Association sent in our enrollment to State P.T.A President we are holding our blank which must be filled and returned. This requires a name for our school

Your name seem to be the choice, So I am writting you to know if you would accept or appreciate our choich Bethune High School. There are others in the State we can name it for but we are giving five reasons for the name. Please write me in time for our next meeting July, wed, 24th.

Hoping this will meet your approval as a school founder in Florida. Wishing for you the enjoyment of success and good health

I am yours sincerely
Mrs A.C. Moss Pres P.T.A.
Rt 2 Box 75
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July 27, 1940

Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Attention: Miss Mary McL. Bethune

Gentlemen:

It is with pleasure that we write this letter to solicit your business for the dining room and kitchen equipment you will probably need for your summer session and also your regular term this fall.

We are confident you would be pleased with what we have to offer and sincerely hope you will get in touch with us when you are in the market for anything in our line.

Trusting to have the pleasure of serving you in the near future, we are

Yours very truly,

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July 30,1940.

Dr.Mary Bethume
Bethume-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach,Florida

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

My dear Dr.Bethume:-

We would appreciate greeting from you at our State convention,Aug.14-16,1940. In Palatka,Florida.

I am sure a word from you will lift us up and inspire us to new zeal for God and Country.If time permits we shall expect you.

Fratwrnally yours,
A. Lafayette Washington
A.Lafayette Washington,
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August 3, 1940.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Daytona Beach,
Fla.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

Because of unforeseen developments, I am writing to you about "Primer for Americans", the study program about which Charlotte Payne, Secretary of the National Council of Women, wrote to you a day or two ago.

New circumstances have arisen which will delay the publishing of "Primer for Americans", and also the 8-page Preview which was to be sent to you.

Knowing that all women in America are vitally interested in preserving our American way of life, I hope that you will consider the "Primer for Americans" an integral part of your study program for the coming year, and I will write to you again just as soon as it is available.

Very sincerely yours,

Lucy R. Milligan

Lucy R. Milligan
Head of Women's Division

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Kingstree S.C.
Box 453
Aug 5, 1940.

Dear Mrs Bethume.

I have heard about your great work and have also read about you. Mrs Bethume I am a poor colored teacher in a one room rual school with a sick husband for seven years, and my school only runs for

6 ½ months. And I have a daughter in high School. And I am trying to help my self the best I know how. would you please tell me how to get up a flower Shop to sell flowers for furneral and all public Occasions And do you donate money to help poor people Or invest.

money in any way....
please write me
concerning the Matter
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you in any way.
I could get it.
Your truly

(Mrs) Annie M. Staggers

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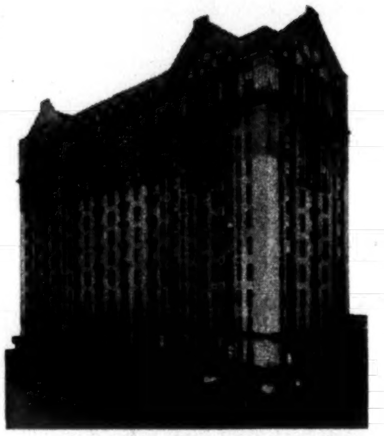

PRIVATE OFFICE
HOTEL THERESA
SEVENTH AVENUE
AT 125TH STREET
NEW YORK

August 5, 1940.

President Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear President Bethune:

With your summer session ended, it is likely that some of your teachers may be planning a trip to New York for a month's vacation.

The bulletin which we are taking the liberty of inclosing may be of some interest to such teachers.

As you know heretofore many colored persons have found hotel accommodations in New York very poor or inconvenient, to say the least. This is no longer the case; for the HOTEL THERESA, under its new management, ranks with the best hotels in the city.

People of taste are at home at the Theresa, and we believe your teachers will enjoy the quiet, homelike and distinctive atmosphere of the Hotel Theresa.

Respectfully yours,

W W Scott

Walter W. Scott,
MANAGER.

WWS/mm/rs
Encl.

4008 Cooke Avenue,
St.Louis,Missouri.,
August 9,1940.

Mrs.Mary McLeod Bethune,Dir.
National Youth Administration,
Washington,D.C.

My dear Mrs.Bethune:

No doubt to hear from me is a surprise but I had to write to you.First,because I have known you all of my life;secondly, because you and my father (also mother) were very good friends;and, thirdly,because I wanted you to know that I am so proud of the record you are making and the help you are doing for the youth of our race.

I remember so vividly how you used to speak about WOMANHOOD and the YOUTH of TOMORROW,I now see and understand that you meant every word you said. You are wonderful,Mrs.Bethune,as I've always thought you to be.

I am the daughter of the late W.H.A.Howard of Tallahassee,Florida,who passed nine years ago,a month after my mother was strickened and who still lives-but as an invalid. Quite a few changes have taken place since the death of my father,but I am trying to hold on for my mother's sake.

I have an A.B.degree in Music (from N.C.College for Negroes,Durham,N.C.)and have attended the Conservatory at Fisk,but was unable to finish due to finance and the illness of my mother. I have seven years of teaching experience of which one was in a Normal School, three as Music teacher in the three public schools of Kinston,N.C.,two as Music teacher-supervisor in 16 counties-Adult Education (WPA) and one year of teaching in a Jr.High School of this state. Married teachers are not being hired anymore inthis school system.

I observe that the NYA center here in St.Louis is a fine one,but I feel that I could contribute something to the personnel, musical side and recreational side of the center. I am also interested in Physical Education and I see the need here of both music and physical education in this set-up.It would aid in the finesse and the art of appreciation of these girls.--as to the beautiful. I am sure that your influence is all that will be necessary.

It may be that you know of an opening elsewhere.I am looking for something permanent because it isn't so easy moving my mother about so often.

My husband is in the Insurance field and I am sure that he can find work elsewhere if need be,should I be fortunate in being placed.

I am asking you through the sincere relationship that existed between you and my father that you spare enough thought (at least) that I may become an INTEREST of yours.

I am now 29 years of age and I think quite a responsible and level-headed person.A victim of circumstances but full of ambition,grit,and energy.--to answer the call to help others. I play quite well according to critics too.

I thank you so much for the time taken to read this missive and I trust that I will hear from you. My mother wishes to also congratulate you for the fine things you are doing. She sends her best regards to you.

Sincerely and gratefully yours,

Harriett Howard Steward

Harriett Howard-Steward.

Answered

DeSoto Abstract Company
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ESTABLISHED 1889
Arcadia, Florida

August 10, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Pres. Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

A few weeks ago the Fair officials of the DeSoto County Fair, which will be held December 2-7, invited you to be one of the honored guests on Wednesday, December 4, which has been designated as Negro Day. We have not yet received a reply from you, although Dr. Lee, of the A & M College, has definitely accepted our invitation.

The purpose of this letter therefore, is to ask you to please let us know whether or not you will accept our invitation to share honors with Dr. Lee and also make a speech on this occasion.

Thanking you in advance for your usual prompt attention to this matter, we are,

Very truly yours,

DeSoto County Fair, Inc.

By Claude C. Jones,
Manager

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ORLANDO, FLORIDA,

August 12th 1940

Mrs, Mary M, Bethume,

Bethume Cookman College,

Daytona Beach, Fla.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Dear Mrs, Bethume:

Mr. Gus Burton inventor of an airplane devise has ask me to write you for am appointment for him while you are home , I know you are well aware of this young mans hope in having this devise patented and it is to this aim that he is asking for this conference ,

If you can see this young man and give hime day and date I would appreciate this favor .

Respectfully,

J V Williams

J. V. Williams,

General

311 E. Lamar Street,
Americus, Georgia,
August 12, 1940.

Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs Bethune:

I wish to withdraw my name from your list of applicants to teach at the Bethune-Cookman College and to thank you very sincerely for every consideration shown me. I have accepted a position to teach at the Tuskegee Institute, Alabama.

Very truly Yours,
(Miss) Lucile Vanset.

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Gentlemen:

It is our custom to give to the teachers in this Vicinity a sample of our "Scholastic" school supply items.

Would you please furnish me with a list of the names of the teachers of the Bethune-Cookman College.

Your kindness will be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully yours,
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August 15, 1940.

Bethune-Cookman College,
c/o Mr. E.Van Poole, Janitor,
Daytona Beach,Fla.

Dear Sir:-

We are in receipt of a bill of lading showing the Sanding Machine was shipped to you from the Hendry County Bd. of Public Instruction,LaBelle,Fla., via prepaid freight.

We are shipping you from Atlanta part of the sandpaper, and the balance will follow in the next few days.

Kindly advise us when you have received the Sanding Machine, using the enclosed postage-paid envelope.

With best wishes, and sincere appreciation for your valued business, we are,

Very truly yours,

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Athens Ohio
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Mrs Mary McLeod Bethune,
Daytona Flordia.

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Dear Mrs Bethune;

The Pallas Club, a literary organization has chosen for its consideration,

"Interesting Personalities of Today".

One topic is Southern Artists, and I am to give an afternoon to you and Ethel Waters.

I have been unable to get any material except what is given for you in Whose Who.

Would you be so kind to help me?

I am very anxious to present you and your school in a creditable manner, so it will be an asset to you and the education you represent.

Could you refer me when I can contact Miss Waters?

Sincerely.
Amy Weihr
57 E State St.
Athens Ohio.

Ans

405 North Grove Street
Gainesville, Florida

August 19, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

On August the twelfth (12th) I sent you an application for N.Y.A. aid that I had received from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Michigan. In my letter I requested that you sign it and return it as soon as possible. As yet I have heard nothing further of the matter.

If you have sent the application to the University of Michigan I would appreciate it greatly if you would let me know by return mail. If you have not sent the application to Ann Arbor kindly send it either to me or the university as soon as possible.

I am enclosing postage to cover the cost of sending me a special delivery letter. I sincerely thank you for any consideration given the matter and hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,
(Miss) Carolyn B. Parker

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Dear Board—
Do you/ this advise
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BMB.

August 21, 1940

Dear Dr. Bethune:

As a new school year approaches, we again invite you to enter your institution in our college and school directory, which for more than a generation has regularly appeared each month and is the best reference of its kind.

Most of the listings are two inches, single column in size, costing $40 yearly, paid in advance, or $50 if paid in equal monthly installments. For six months the cost is $22 and $27 respectively.

One inch, single column costs $22 in advance, or $27 paid in equal monthly installments, the same space for six months being $14 and $15 respectively.

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Somewhere within this range there is a price to fit your needs and your budget.

We are anxious to have your institution listed in the directory, and we shall be more than pleased to have a word from you in connection with it.

The deadline for our October issue is September 10, 1940. The October issue will appear before October 1.

Awaiting your reply, I am

Sincerely yours,

George S. Schuyler
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Business Manager.

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Mrs Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs Bethune:

I do wish to thank you for sending me the literature of your college in reply to my letter. Illness and a delayed lecture tour have prevented my writing you sooner.

If there is ever a chance of my coming to Florida again I shall look forward to seeing the college. My family have always been interested in the welfare of your people and I have always regretted it has not been possible for me to make it an active interest.

My father had two wonderful colored servants, one for fifty-three years and the other while not so long a term of service, was equally faithful and with him when he passed away.

It was intended I should keep the younger one as a family retainer as my father pensioned off the one of over a half century loyal service but a muchly reduced income and legal involvement of his estate has made this impossible and he has never been happy away from our family.

He is a fine man, a graduate of the university at Salisbury, North Carolina, and I have been thinking since hearing you speak at Town Hall, if there could possibly be anything at your college he could do until such a time as I am able to have him again. It would mean so much to know he is in an atmosphere where I know he will be appreciated and will be comfortable and happy.

A letter will reach me here for two weeks as I am being treated for a spinal injury received from a riding accident in a horse show some years ago. Then I will be at the Hotel Roosevelt in New York City again.

I hopw that you may live for many years to fulfill your most worthy endeavors and that the college will continue to prosper.

Most sincerely:

offi send letter to the school she desires to attend asking for NYA aid, etc.

Gen.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

R. 2. Box 52
Colfox La.
Aug. 21, 1940.

Mrs. McLeod Bethune

Dear mrs. Bethune.

I am A High School groduate finished in the Class of 1940. And I am vnable to go to College. vnless I can get some help.

Mrs Bethune, I am Ancious to be a Nurse, And I am askin you to help me, to Inter school. In Jacksonvill Fla. or some other state where I can take Nurse Training.

To my understanding you are one of the leader of the N.Y.A. would you help me to get on? If not at full time part. time. If there be No Vacince for this year. (September) I will appreciate anytime.

your for information
(Negro) Miss) Hattie V. Spotsville
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ATLANTA, GA.

August 22, 1940

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Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Gentlemen:

On August 15 we wrote you stating that the Sanding Machine was being shipped to you from the Hendry County Board of Public Instruction, La Belle, Florida, asking that you kindly acknowledge receipt of this machine.

Please advise us immediately in order that we may complete our records, and oblige.

Yours very truly,

PURITAN CHEMICAL COMPANY

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M. A. FELDMAN
VICE PRESIDENT

MAF:SE

Miss Mitchell

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August 24, 1940

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

In regards to your letter of August 13, as per your request, we found out through the Custodian of the Knights of Pythias Building that their chairs are for sale at the cost of 25 cents each, and there are four to a section, making each section $1.00 There are 283 chairs avaiable.

For further information, write, Miss Luvenia Wilson 727 W. Ashley Atreet, Jacksonville, Fla.

I trust that you are enjoying the best of health.

I am

Yours very truly,
Lawton L. Pratt
Lawton L. Pratt

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The Pres. Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach Fla.

Thank them

Dear Madam Pres,

The Colored Veterans of the World War in thier Convention last month appropiated $5.00 to establish a annual prize in your school to be designated as The Colored World War Veterans, State Dept. prize. This, at your judgement, to be placed in the Dept. where Americanism or Good Citizenship is stressed.

I am therefore asking you that you signify your approval, and a check will be sent you immediately.

Thanking you in advance for your prompt cooperation.

Sincerly yours,
C. L. Eccleston
State Chairman Scholarship Comm.
Colored Veterans of the World War.

C. L. Eccleston

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September 3, 1940

Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Attention: Miss Bertha L. Mitchell, Secty.-Treas.

Dear Miss Mitchell:

We are today in receipt of your letter dated August 21 acknowledging receipt of a sanding machine shipped you, and are also in receipt of your letter dated August 31 asking for the use of this machine until September 16.

It is indeed a pleasure to be of this service to you, and we are, therefore, marking our records that you will keep this machine until September 16 and complete the sanding of your floors.

With best wishes and kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

PURITAN CHEMICAL COMPANY

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September 6, 1940

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Dr. Bethune:

On July 12th, you wired inviting me to deliver the Commencement address on Saturday, July 20th, and it was necessary for me to wire back that I was scheduled to be in Boston on the 19th of July and could not get back here by the 20th.

I have been almost continuously travelling since that date, and have only just got settled down to the year's work here in Babson Park, where from now on I shall be serving Webber College instead of the University of Tampa.

So I am writing to thank you for the courtesy of that invitation, and to convey to you Mrs. Sherman's and my most cordial friendship and regards. We remember with much pleasure our visit with you last spring, and hope that the acquaintanceship is to continue and that the friendship will develop further.

With all best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

John H. Sherman.

John H. Sherman
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September 6, 1940

Dr. Mary M. Bethune
President, Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Dr. Bethune:

I am so sorry that my letter of August 22 was not clear. I am not prepared for a position as cafeteria manager but I would like to know who received the appointment in order to keep our records up to date. You will recall that we recommended Anne Hawkins and Lucile Wamack.

Sincerely yours,

Alice P. Sells

Alice P. Sells
Executive Assistant

APS:BB

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America Ala
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Supreintendent of Nurses
Bethune Cookman College
Dayton Beach, Florida
Dear Supreintendent

I am very Desirious in entering your College to pursue the Course of nurse training. I am sure that I am to late to enter in the Fall Class but if there is a possible Chance of me entering in your next Class Please send me your bulletin and application Blanks by Return mail please let me hear from you at once.

Yours Truly
Beatrice Slaughter
America Ala

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SEPTEMBER 9, 1940

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

The Urban League of Greater Little Rock is attempting to compile a scholarship and fellowship directory. We are asking you to cooperate with us by sending one of your catalogues so we can give complete data on your institution. This directory will include all of the Negro colleges of the Nation and a number of white institutions.

This office is frequently called upon by prospective students and other persons desiring information on Negro colleges. Please register this organization on your permanent mailing list. We will appreciate the foregoing and other information you choose to send, together with suggestions which this letter may incline you to make. It is in the plan to also prepare brief biographical statements of outstanding students who have received aid.

Very truly yours,

Clifford E. Minton

Clifford E. Minton
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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Please answer

FLORIDA SOUTHERN COLLEGE
LAKELAND, FLORIDA

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY
GEO. F. SCOTT

Sept.10.1940.

Mrs.Mary Bethune,
Daytona Beach,Fla.

Dear Mrs.Bethume:

Perhaps you will recall meeting me upon one of your visits to Florida Southern college.I have just completed my twenty years service with Southern and during that time,it has been my privilege to advise my worthy students,especially those who had to work their way through college,and my interest in worthy students will continue,whether white or black.

Before coming to Southern college as a teacher,it was my privilege to serve as Supt of Public Instruction,of Bradford County,Fla,where it was my pleasure to render special service to the colored people of that -- county. I merely make mention of this fact,that you may know of my deep interest in your people.

We have had a colored girl working for us here over one year. Margaret Franklin of Laklenad,Fla.We have found her to be a very reliable and worthy girl.Faithful,honest,truthful and neat in appearance.Whatever work my wife has assigned her she has always willingly and effectively done her work. She plans to enter your school this week and I am taking this opportunity to write you in behalf of her merits and any favors you may be able to extend to Margaret will be deeply appreciated by Mrs. Scott and myself.

With every good wish for the success of your school,and the splendid service you are rendering your race,

I remain,

Your friend, G. F. Scott.

UNIVERSITY OF TAMPA
TAMPA, FLORIDA
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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September 11, 1940

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear President McLeod:

I wish it might be possible for us to be with you on Friday, September 20, but it so happens that our college will then be in the throes of opening, and it will be impossible for us to share the honor of the opening of Bethune-Cookman College.

We send our good wishes.

Sincerely,

James Elliott Mooney

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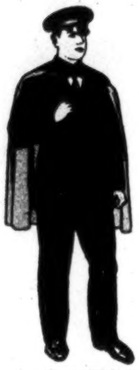
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September 13, 1940

Bethune- Cookman College
Attention Bertha L. Mitchell
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Miss Mitchell:

Received your order for the 69WA antependia priced in our catalog at $3.50.

Regret very much, that you failed to state the color of the antependia desired and if you will therefore give us this information by return mail, your order will receive our prompt attention.

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27 West 44th Street

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Gen.

33 Fifth Avenue
New York City
September 13th, 1940

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

Long before this I had hoped to have the pleasure of sending you an "approved copy" of our article by you for your signature, and a check as promised, but we have had unforeseen delays and difficulties.

The difficulties lie chiefly in the fact that although we have already written two drafts of the article, Mr. Rapp, the editor of True Story Magazine, does not feel they do your personality and work sufficient justice to warrant his approval.

I have just had a long talk with him about the matter, and he explained his point of view. He feels you are a dedicated woman, dedicated,not to the church, but to the education of your race. Now such a story he believes, should divide into two parts (1) your dedication, (2) your works - the test of your dedication.

He is reasonably well satisfied with our part 2 - which takes up all your struggles and experiences at the college, but he feels part 1 is very inadequate.

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Mother words, we haven't got a clear picture of the incidents or happenings to you as a young child that led you to dedicate your life to education. We haven't got a sense of growing consciousness on your part of your growing passion to help your people. We aren't able to explain to our readers how "you got religion."

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> I'd like to know more in detail about your mother and father, your home, your family life with them, and homely little incidents or big dramatic incidents that turned your childish soul to thoughts of educating yourself and others.

For that matter, don't feel you must restrict yourself to your childhood. We want to key our entire article and everything you have told us previously around this spirit of dedication to your work.

I know how busy you are , and I hesitate to ask you to give us even another hour of your time. But after you have read Mr. Hayes article, I think you will agree that we have high standards - and that aside from any financial return, a dignified spiritual article under your signature will benefit both you and your institution.

I would be grateful if you would let us have this material at your earliest convenience, as we are extremely anxious to finish our article to the joint satisfaction of Mr. Rapp, and yourself. When you send us this additional data, please return the Hayes article.

Hoping to hear from you in the near future and with our cordial regards.

Sincerely yours,

Lowell Bentans.

P. S. If reading the Hayes article or this letter gives you any ideas beyond the scope of what we have asked for - please send them along. The more fully you reveal your inner-self to us the better we can interpret you to the world.

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HARRISON S. JACKSON
COUNSELLOR AT LAW
200 WEST 135TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY
EDGECOMBE 4-7272

September 16th, 1940

Bethume Cookman College
Daytona Beach
Florida

Att: Record Department
Re: Annie Madden - Wideman

Dear Madam:

Please advise me whether or not you have any record of Annie Elizabeth Madden, who I understand attended your school in Jacksonville, Florida, somewhere around the year of 1916 or 1917.

What I'm interested in, is finding out her full name as your records reveal; also her father and mother's name as transcribed in your records. Please let me hear from you by return mail.

Very truly yours,

Harrison S. Jackson

HSJ/g

P.S. Her mother's name is Jessie Madden + Doctor Burnett F. Madden.

Charlotte, N.C.
Sept. 18. 1940

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I hope these few lines will find you enjoying the best of health. I am not feeling so well.

No doubt you will think I am crazy. but after reading this you will see another side.

I am asking you for help. I have been working on W. P. A. my

(2)

time was out Apr 13
I have tried so hard t
get work all summer
But private homes don
pay only $3.50 to $5.00 a
you can not keep a ho
going on that.
I went to the welfare
office Tue. Sept. 13th ask
ing them to please gi
me work or some thing
to eat, but they said
they could not do eithe
and talked so mean to
me.
My Daughter is pregn

(3)

again, her baby won't be two yrs. old. until Dec. 3rd. I have cried and pleaded with her so, but she inclined to go the way of so many wayward Girls. I am nearly crazy.

I want work so I can pay my back rent and get in a comfortable house. this one leaks so badly. and she will be confined right in the heart of winter. after all of her mistakes I am the only one that will stick.

(4)

I am asking you because I know you & Mrs. Roosevelt are so closely connected and you have a lot of influence.

Please mam do all you can for me as quickly as you can.

Sincerely Yours
Friend
Beatrice Moore
1218 N. Johnson St.
Charlotte, N.C.

My Grandmother's

Eloise

name is
Julia Chappelle Dixon
924 Swamfeld St.
My Grandfather's name
was John Henry Chappelle.
My Mother,
Eddie Chappelle Redwine
1451 - W. 6th St.
Jacksonville Fla.
I can be identified
through Mr. & Mrs.
Zachariah Alexander Sr.
thanking you for every

thing, will write you a
long letter soon.

The Alexander's address
is 577 S. Caldwell St.
Charlotte, N.C.

P.O. Box 2374
Jacksonville, Florida
September 20,1940

Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune- Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida

My Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I wish to express thanks for the invitation to attend your opening exercises today. I visited the school last week and observed that things were in splendid shape for the opening. We always bring visitors from other parts down to see your school because we feel that it is one of our most outstanding achievements and worthy of every consideration. Both Johnnie and I are wishing for you a very successful year at Bethune- Cookman.

Please advise if I am eligible for membership in the National Council of Negro Women? I am President of our City Federation of Clubs, A State Vice- President, National Director of Public Affairs for Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Member of Board of Directors of our Local Y.W.C.A. and was the only Negro Woman from Florida attending the recent National Convention of Young Women's Christian Association of America. I went as a delegate from our local Branch but ofcourse had to defray my own expenses. I am this year's Chairman of Red Cross Roll Call, Secretary of Emergency War Relief Commmittee, Member of Duval County Council of Social Agencies.

You have probably heard that I recently appeared in Nassau for the benefit of a British War Relief Fund. A letter has just come from Barrister Toote expressing his thanks as sponsor and the thanks of their Colonial Secretary, who was at that time acting Governor of the Island, for my contribution to their Fund. They realized the sum of twenty pounds,($ 100.00) in cash.

I tell you these things because you have always expressed an interest in me and my efforts. If I am eligible for membership in The National Council, I shall be glad to pay my membership fee and probably attend your next meeting which Miss White informs me is to be held in Washington in the near future. She is most anxious for me to be there. She is growing older and weary and needs the assistance of a younger woman. I am trying in every way to do just that. Last winter and spring , I raised througha plan which she outlined more than one thousand dollars for our contribution to the Delinquent Girl's Home of Duval County. The home will soon be a reality.

Best wishes for you and may I hear from you soon?

Very truly yours,

Margaret Simms

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Gentlemen:

Included in our donations each year for several years past has been an item of $20.00 to the Bethune Cookman College. It has always been solicited and always freely given.

This year it was not solicited, and we are wondering whether to include it in our budget for this year. It is possible that you have reached the conclusion that we are not sympathetic toward your work becuase of our insistence on our credit terms when we are trading with you, and if the two matters are coupled in your mind, we would like to explain to you that while we appreciate the work you are doing, we nevertheless cannot operate our business on long-time credits the way we formerly did.

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Very truly yours,

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WEC:ew
Enc.

Sen:
We regret that we do not have the name of a good cook on our lists

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

September 24th., 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Madam:

We are in need of a good cook and would appreciate it if you would write us at once as to whether you could supply us with one.

Stamped addressed envelope is enclosed for reply and we would like to have an answer by return mail if possible.

Yours very truly,

Clerk

We regret
that we do not
know Mrs Marshall)
nor is her name
on our mailing list

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

1019-12 Street
Portsmouth Ohio.

Sept. 28. 1940.

Mrs. McCloud Bethune
Datonia Fla.

My Dear Madam:-

After best wishes to you and yours, this comes to ask a bit of information, a white-woman, by name of Mrs. E. R. Marshall, posed as an agent, selling, The Source Book Encyclopedia. She claimed to know very well, also many of the leaders of our church, the A M E connection. She claims to be a widow of a Dr. She sold me a set, That is I paid $15-00, and was to recieve the books the next week, It was July 27, I havent heard from her nor the company.

If you know anything about her, you will oblige me to inform me of her residence. She claim to be living in New Orleans La.

Very Respectfully,
Rev. J. D. White

Dun

Fred
acknowledgment

492 Convent Avenue
New York, City
October 5, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Daytona Cookman College
Daytona, Flordia

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

Forgive my trespassing on your valuable time to make known a humble request.

May I say as consisely as possible that I am a school mate of Mr. Rodriguez, a member of your able faculty. My B.A. and B.D. were earned at Morehouse College, and The Colgate-Rochester-Divinity School, Rochester, N.Y. This is in short, my academic background.

I am desirious of obtaining a position as Chaplain or Educational Adviser in the C.C.C. It is my humble request that you will intervene for me in this effort. Your efforts on my behalf will leave me forever grateful. Any good word spoken by you in my behalf will be regarded as most kind and generous.

Yours Very Truly,
Paul W. Strickland

Material sent Oct. 14th 1940

Ben

Close

5 Herkimer St.
Syracuse, N.Y.
October 7, 1940

Bethune Cookman College
Daytona, Florida

Gentlemen:

I have become interested in Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune and and am anxious to obtain any information I can about her, the Bethune Cookman College, its history, present-day statistics and outstanding graduates.

I intend to use this information, if you will be so kind as to send it to me, for an inspirational talk to a group of young people.

Yours truly
(Miss) Cynthia
Papworth

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Gen,

October 11, 1940

Miss Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear President Bethune:

I write you in behalf of one of our forthcoming publications, to be issued about November 1, which we are adding to our Pocket BOOKS in a 25 cent edition at the advice of my friend Professor Alain Locke of Howard University, Mrs. Lucius Eastman of Scarsdale, New York who has interested herself so much in the welfare of Negroes in the United States, and also with the advice of Mr. Embree of the Rosenwald Foundation. Just as soon as copies are available of this complete and unabridged version of Booker T. Washington's Up from Slavery we shall send you several copies of it with our compliments. It will be one of the most attractively bound titles in Pocket BOOKS that we have thus far issued. You have no doubt seen some of our earlier titles in book stores and on news stands throughout the United States. We expect that the chance of buying this biographic classic at 25 cents will make available a great work to thousands of Negroes throughout the United States who, because of the heretofore higher price, might never have been able to afford actual possession of the volume.

In getting permission from the original publisher to reprint this classic we have been obliged to commit outselves to a sale of well over 50,000 copies. This we shall be able to do if we can get the support of educators like yourself, and the members of the societies of which you have been a distinguished officer over the years. Mr. Lowell Brentano has drawn my attention to the fact that you are now director of the Division of Negro Affairs in the National Youth Administration. To the government we shall be very happy to offer as substantial a discount as possible on quantity lots of this work, and to educational institutions in general we shall continue extending on this book, as we do on all our titles, a 20 per cent discount. This brings the price of the volume down to 20 cents per copy for ordinary educational use.

In addition to the educational institutions in which colored students are enrolled and a list of which I shall get through government sources, I wonder if through your courtesy we might receive information as to how to reach the members of the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs, the individual members of the National Association of Teachers in Colored Schools, the National Council of Negro Women, etc. I ask your kind help in this because in issuing this book at the price for which we offer it in wholesale lots, we shall have to sell something close to 100,000 copies before any profit can accrue to us. One main reason for adding it to our list at all was because of our own interest in furthering the business of Negro education in the United States, and because of my own interest in the book as an educator.

The undersigned will be exceedingly grateful to you for the courtesy of any advice which you can extend to him, and to facilitate it he is enclosing a self addressed, stamped envelope for your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Pocket BOOKS, Inc.

M. Edmund Speare

Editor

MES:ERC

10/21/40

Dear Soror Bethune,

From so many chapters the request has come to have your name included in the list of talented Deltas. Won't you please fill out this questionnaire and return it to me? I sent you one in June, but it probably mis-carried.

Cordially yours,
Mae Wright

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October 30, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

Thank you for your payment of 1940 membership dues. Card for the current year is enclosed.

Your membership will help to carry on a program designed toward better health in Florida. It is indeed gratifying to have your interest and support.

Sincerely yours,
Celia R Whitaker
Mrs. C. R. Whitaker,
Secretary.

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Gen

W. P. Beach. Fla
1511 Division ave
Nov. 8-1940

Mrs Bethune Cookman
Madam

I wish to enquie. if their is a Studient by the name of Marcellus Alsop in your Instute, if so will you be so kind to let me know right away.

thanking you in advance

Mrs. S. V. Pearl

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Daytona Beach, Florida.

Gentlemen:

We acknowledge with thanks receipt of your purchase order No. 1680 for one gallon Acetic Acid to be rushed to you. We will be glad to fill your order at our regular price of $1.40 per gallon fob Jacksonville. Your purchase order lists a price of .75 per gallon. Please advise if you wish shipment at $1.40. For your convenience, we are enclosing one of our mail order cards and await your reply.

Very truly yours,

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cc - Mr. Hume

Ben, Mrs Thompson

Stillman Institute
Tuscaloosa, Alabama
November 22, 1940

Mrs. Mary McCleod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Mrs. Bethune;

I am a sophomore here at Stillman. I am persuing a course in teachers training. I think that my best Possibilities lie in another field. This field is; Fine Arts. I beleive I could Contribute much to this field. I beleive I can add another point so far as the race is concerned.

My hinderance stands behind the walls of finance. I am on the N.Y.A. here which is very much aid on your goodness. I would like to know if you would be interested enough in my situation to helps me to secure some form of scholarship? I would like for it to be to an institution which has special phases of this type of study or work under supervision.

I have been interested in this Phase of education since my early school career. I have been the artist of my Class from junior high school until now. Last year I painted the scenery for one of the said, greatest Operetta's ever presented at Stillman.

I finished high school at Southern Normal High School at Brewton, Alabama. For references as to my ability, dependability and Character ect. you may contact the following;

Mr. I. N. Wright { Stillman Institute
Mr. Albert James { Tuscaloosa, Alabama
Mr. S. L. Brooks { Southern Normal School Brewton Ala.
Rev. R.H. Williams Dothan, Ala.

I am a "B" rating student in my academic Curriculum. My extra curricular activities are;

* Football
Basketball
* track
* Dramatics
Chorus

* indicates varsity participant

Respectively Yours,
Eugene Cortez Stallworth

Rev. Ramkrishna Shahu Modak

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Seen

November 26, 1940.

Sorry - Our winter program is too full.

President,
Bethune - Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Sir:-

In January 1939 we had some correspondence with you, and my father, E. E. Grove, called upon you, concerning an engagement in your school to show our program on the "Everyday Life of India". Our plans at that time changed and finally we did not go to Florida, but now we are starting for Florida the day following Christmas, and would very much like to make an engagement in your school for early in January.

Enclosed is a leaflet which will tell you about our program.

Last Wednesday we gave the program for the Union Memorial (Congregational) Church of Glenbrook, Conn., and this coming Wednesday will be at the Congregational Church of Fairfield, in March we shall be back in New England when we have an appointment at the Harvard Church, Brookline. We have also been at the Hartford, Boston, Providence, Brooklyn, Buffalo Museums; and have shown the program at more than twenty-five Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs, including Philadelphia, Syracuse, Albany etc.

We have been to so many private schools, Miss Porter's and the Loomis School, Shady Hill at Cambridge and Miss Winser's at Boston, for example, that we know this will be suitable and enjoyed by Bethune-Cookman College.

I do not know what to say about the fee since we have had no experience in Florida, but I will say this, that we usually get twenty-five dollars in churches and private schools, and fifty from larger clubs and museums. You will be fair with us, of course, and so I leave that matter in your hands. We are not commercial entertainers but are here for a time, on leave from our church, and expect to return to India in the late spring.

An engagement with your school would be very welcome, especially early in January or by the middle of the month.

May we hear from you?

Sincerely,

(Mrs. R. S.) Marguerite Modak.

MRM/SET

Miami Fla.
Dec. 1, 1940

Dear Mrs Bethune,

I thought I would write you for an advise about this N.Y.A. project. I have a girl going to Washington High Sch. The she is studying. I [illegible] I don't have time to go and find out for my self. So I would like for you to advise me what to see. She is a girl 15 yrs old. I don't make enough money to cloth her as she needs it going to a high school and may I ask that what the lowest grade you take in your school. What about the [illegible] I want to find

from here. I feel like a woman
in your standing could give
me a good advise about the [illegible]
and iff you come to Miami
room. Please let me know
you will find out about me
more. [illegible] I will close
for the time being

Yours Truly
Mrs. Bertha L. Stripe
575½ N.W. 14th St.
Miami, Fla.

PC
PRESS
CLINTON
SOUTH
CAROLINA

December 9, 1940

President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

In Re: Christian Education Movement

My dear Colleague:

You have by now no doubt received from the National Conference of Church-Related Colleges a set of Christian Education folders which are proposed for distribution throughout America.

These folders, which are designed to carry your name and statement in connection with the general appeal emphasizing many phases of the church-related college story, should be given as wide-spread distribution as is possible.

This is the ideal time to rebuild an interest in your own institution through a concerted effort to emphasize the importance of the entire Christian Education field.

I hope you will not delay attention to this matter, but select a list of several thousand of your most substantial constituents and plan to send to them periodically over a period of a year those folders which you select from the set of twenty, and which are best adapted to your use.

Let us join together in a nation-wide emphasis on Christian Education on the part of church-related colleges.

We shall be glad to have your instructions as to the quantity you desire.

Yours sincerely,

P. C. PRESS

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Wm. P. Jacobs, President

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The Christian Advocate 740 RUSH STREET · CHICAGO
ROY L. SMITH, EDITOR

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ARCHIVES

December 12, 1940

President, Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:-

The new Christian Advocate will attempt to serve the Church as a great newspaper. One of our principle functions will be the publication of news which is of interest to all Methodists.

Among the interests dear to the hearts of our people are our educational institutions. We are especially anxious to get real news from our schools, and I am appealing to you for help.

Will you please put The Christian Advocate, 740 Rush Street, Chicago, on your mailing list to receive all publications, news matter, and official communications?

News
Items

But more important, will you ask your publicity department to give us releases from time to time, of news that is up to the minute?

It is important to the newspaper that it have the report of the news at the very first possible minute. We would appreciate advance information of special events so that we can have them adequately covered on time.

If you have any suggestion as to how the church paper can serve you and your school to better advantage, I would appreciate a line from you.

Yours for the cause,

Roy L. Smith

Roy L. Smith

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C.F.I.

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FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY
NATIONAL YOUTH ADMINISTRATION
FOR FLORIDA
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Gen/

December 14, 1940

Mrs. Mary McCleod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. McCleod:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of the Sumter County Gazette. This paper is published by the Negro Teachers of Sumter County.

I am anxious that you note the letter of appreciation addressed to me. I am grateful for this fine spirit of appreciation and felt that you might be interested in seeing a copy of the paper as well as the letter of appreciation.

I am finding my work with the National Youth Administration very interesting. I feel that I have been able to render some service and there is a great deal more to be rendered.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Broward Miller

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December 21, 1940

Mrs Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs Bethune

I am enclosing check for $25.00 to help you in the splendid work you are doing. I wish I could make it larger, but I am trying to divide what I have with several.

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Best wishes for a Merry Christmas.

Sincerely yours,

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December 31, 1940

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:-

I take pleasure in sending to you herewith check of the Phelps-Stokes Fund for $100.00 payable to the Bethune-Cookman College toward your budget for the year 1941. This appropriation was authorized at the meeting of the Trustees of the Phelps-Stokes Fund on November 20, 1940.

With high regard and best wishes for the coming year, I am

Sincerely yours,

L. A. Roy

L. A. Roy

LAR:S
Encl.

319 E. Ashley St.
Jacksonville, Fla.

December 31, 1940

Dear Madam Bethune:

I am hoping that this yuletide season has been the greatest and most enjoyable one you have ever experienced. As for myself, I have ventured out on the sea of matrimony, sailing for ports of happiness, success, and prosperity. My Wife's name is Alice Martin of St. Augustine, Fla. I hope our announcement reached you at your Washington, D.C. resident.

Fla. Lakeland and Haines City are in the same County, "Polk."

Please send to me all necessary information so that I may file an application for manager or care-taker. I will appreciate also any information you can give to me in regards to securing same positions.

I sincerely and gratefully appreciate your information and consideration in regards to this matter.

The record established by t
foot-ball team this year is worth
of mentioning and should be prais
to the greatest esteem. It brings
back pleasant memories of the ti
when I was a Bethune-Cookm
"Wildcat."

At present I am teaching
Haines City, Fla., having charge of
science department and athlet

I understand that a Feder
housing project for colored peop
is to be constructed in Lakela

Please send return mail to
P.O. Box 1332, Haines City, Fla.

Respectfully yours,
Waymon H. Stone

Send informa —

[illegible]

2602, 29th. St.
Tampa, Florida, 12/940.

Dr. M. M. Bethune
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Madam:—

This is to remind you of our Conversation. I am waiting for a final Statement. So I will know how to line up for the new year. I want to know the Salary, and what Board will pay it. I am depending on you and Bishop L.H. King to perfect the arrangements. I want the job for the good that I will be to the College, Race and the Church. You will please write Bishop King about the matter. Write me soon.

Yours as ever
Damon S. Elmore

General Correspondence (Outgoing) Jan. - Feb.

January 2, 1940

Mrs. Annie Jennings
806 Ocklawaha Avenue
Ocala, Florida

Dear Mrs. Jennings:

Thanks for your letter of December 19, requesting information on Bethune-Cookman College.

It fills my heart with joy to know that the Young People's Service League of the Episcopal Church in Ocala has a desire to help some worthy student at Bethune-Cookman College. This, I am sure, will bring great joy to some poor, worthy girl or boy.

We are enclosing bulletins and leaflets of the College. I hope you will find in this material the desired information. If you should need any further assistance, do not hesitate to call upon us.

With best wishes for a Happy and Prosperous Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt
Enclosures

January 2, 1940

Mrs. Ruth Smith
4410 Alton Road
Miami Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Smith:

Thanks for your letter of recent date, stating your desire to have your two daughters enter Bethune-Cookman College.

Our high school department has been discontinued. Therefore, it will not be possible for your daughters to enroll at Bethune-Cookman until they have completed their high school work. We shall be glad to have them enter Bethune-Cookman after they have graduated from the twelfth grade.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

January 5, 1940

Mrs. Bessie Bearden,
President Chapter #1
50 Morningside Avenue
New York City

Dear Mrs. Bearden:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and the members of your Chapter and the Newark Chapter for your contribution of $25.30 to Bethune-Cookman College, which Mrs. Belden has sent down to us.

Your contribution of $25.30 toward maintenance brings great relief to the College at this time. Official receipt for same has been sent to Mrs. Ruth Minor, President Newark Chapter.

It means so much to have a group of friends, like your group, to stand by the College and give material support during these strenuous days. May God bless each of you and may you continue to be thoughtful of and prayerful for Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

January 5, 1940

Mrs. Betty Brown,
President Mary McLeod Bethune Club #5
352 W. 115th Street
New York City

Dear Mrs. Brown:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you, the members of your Club and the President and members of Club #3 for your contribution of $15.70 to Bethune-Cookman College, which Mrs. Belden has sent down to us.

Your contribution of $15.70 toward maintenance brings great relief to the College at this time. We have sent official receipt to Mrs. Gloria Irving, President of Mary McLeod Bethune Club #3.

It means so much to have a group of friends, like your group, to stand by the College and give material support during these strenuous days. We need your friendship, your influence and your material support, in a day like this. May God bless each of you and may you continue thoughtful of and prayerful for Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

January 5, 1940

Rev. F. A. Cullen
2190 Seventh Avenue
New York City

Dear Rev. Cullen:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $4.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, which Mrs. Belden has sent down to us.

Your contribution of four dollars toward maintenance brings great relief to the College at this time. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

It means so much to have a friend like you to stand by the college and give material support during these strenuous days. We need your friendship, your influence and your material support, in a day like this. May God bless you and may you continue thoughtful of and prayerful for Bethune-Cookman-College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 5, 1940

Mrs. Junita Dix,
President Chapter #6
400 Convent Avenue
New York City

Dear Mrs. Dix:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and the members of your Chapter and the Newark Chapter for your contribution of $25.30 to Bethune-Cookman College, which Mrs. Belden has sent down to us.

Your contribution of $25.30 toward maintenance brings great relief to the College at this time. Official receipt for this amount has been sent to Mrs. Ruth Miner, President Newark Chapter.

It means so much to have a group of friends, like your group, to stand by the College and give material support during these strenuous days. We need your friendship, your influence and your material support. May God bless each of you and may you continue to be thoughtful of and prayerful for Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 5, 1940

Manager
Seaside Inn
3 North Ocean Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Sir:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and your co-workers for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, for the service of our Singers.

We enclose official receipt for same. We are grateful for your contribution and for the opportunity given our students to serve you. You may feel free to call upon us at any time. We will be only too glad to serve you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 5, 1940

Mrs. Mable Stoupers
50 W. 50th Street
New York City

Dear Mrs. Stoupers:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, which Mrs. Belden has sent down to us.

Your contribution of five dollars toward maintenance brings great relief to the College at this time. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

It means so much to have a friend like you to stand by the college and give material support during these strenuous days. We need your friendship, your influence and your material support, in a day like this. May God bless you and may you continue thoughtful of and prayerful for Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 6, 1940

Mrs. Helen C. Smith
President Metropolitan Chapter
205 W. 136th Street
New York City

Dear Mrs. Smith:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and the members of your Chapter for your contribution of $25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, which Mrs. Belden has sent down to us. We have also credited your Chapter with $10.00, donation from you, which Mrs. Belden sent down to us in October.

Your contribution of twenty-five dollars toward maintenance brings great relief to the College at this time. Official receipt for same is enclosed. It means so much to have a group, like your group, to stand by and give material aid to the college during these strenuous days. We need your friendship, your influence and your material support, in a day like this. May God bless each of you and may you continue to be thoughtful of and prayerful for Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 9, 1940

Miss Willie Brown
219 W. Lucas Street
Florence, South Carolina

Dear Miss Brown:

Thanks for your letter of January 4, stating your desire to complete your education. I suggest that you make application for NYA or Industrial scholarship aid to the President of whatever school you desire to attend. If there is no such aid available at this time, ask them to keep your name on their waiting list for next school term, 1940-41.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 9, 1940

Mr. Parepa R. Watson
Johnsen Hall
411 W. 116th Street
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Watson:

As requested in your letter of January 2, we are sending you a copy of our latest librarian's report. We are asking that you return this copy as soon as you have completed your study - as we will need it for our files.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 16, 1940

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Misses Edith P. Bracey and
Sallie Mae Ballard
Accomac County
Mappsville, Virginia

Dear Girls:

Thanks for your letter of January 12, stating your desire to continue your education. I [illegible] glad to know that it is your desire to go through college and hope you will accomplish your aim.

I suggest that you make application for NYA aid to the President of whatever school you desire to attend. I am sure you will be given every possible consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 17, 1940

Miss Marjorie C. Byrd, Secretary
Beta Chi Chapter
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority
Lane College
Jackson, Tennessee

Dear Miss Byrd:

Thanks for your letter of January 6, and for your kind invitation to speak to the baby Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

I regret exceedingly my inability to serve you at this time. My hands are full and it will not be possible for me to visit Tennessee soon.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 17, 1940

Miss Lulu B. Bryan, Principal
Browning Home and Mather Academy
Camden, South Carolina

Dear Miss Bryan;

Thanks for your letter of January 4, and for your invitation inviting me to speak on your concluding program for February 18th.

I regret to state that it will not be possible for me to be with you on that date. We are celebrating our 35th Anniversary on the 16, 17 and 18th. We are expecting Mrs. Roosevelt here on the 18th, which will be a great day for Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 17, 1940.

Dr. W. W. Brierley,
The General Education Board,
49 West 49th Street,

New York, New York.

My dear Dr. Brierley:

May I thank you for the copy of the Proceedings of the Conference of Financial officers in Institutions for Negroes, recently held in Atlanta, Georgia. This material is of great help to us and our Business Office. The business manager thought so well of it that she had several copies of the proceedings made for distribution.

I was so happy for the opportunity of talking with you when I was in New York.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Washington
Concert folder

January 19, 1940

Miss Bertha Blair
2630 Adams Mill Road, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Miss Blair:

I am so happy that we have been able to contact Catarina Jarboro. We will have to pay $350 but it is the best we can do. We were able to get the price reduced from $800.

I am sending the list you sent me to the office at 1812 Ninth Street so that you can go over it with Mrs. Belden who is there and check on the people that we think we can include in the list of sponsors and supporters. Now I have done my best and what we need to do is push hard there. Put all the pressure behind it that you can. You can get in touch with me here at any time.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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January 25, 1940

Mrs. T. V. Moore
c/o Y. W. C. A.
Miami, Florida

My dear Mrs. Moore:

I am so glad to get your second letter. Your first one was misplaced somehow and I have not yet been able to find it. You did not give me your address on this letter so I am sending this reply to the Y.W.C.A. with a hope that you will get it.

I am delighted to know that you are so interested in the affairs of the Negro. How I wish I could have seen you when you were in Washington. I am now in Daytona Beach trying to get things in readiness for our anniversary celebration on the 16, 17 and 18 of February. Mrs. Roosevelt will speak on the 18th and I will be happy to have you come up.

As to Mrs. Roosevelt's plans, she will be here for one day. She is on vacation and will probably go to Miami. You could contact her here and try to get her to do the thing you would like to have her do. If you will make it possible for me to get to you, I will have you meet Mrs. Roosevelt. Just know that I am happy to do anything that I can do.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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January 23, 1940.

Mrs. Eva A. McCormas,
Director of Civic Interracial Group,
326 Beaker Street,
An Arbor, Michigan.
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Dear Mrs. McCormas:

Thank you very much for your recent cordial letter.

When I am again in your section, I shall be glad to consider coming to speak for your Civic Group on Interracial Relations. There is no charge made for my service. but if your group desires to make some contribution to Bethune-Cookman College, it will be very gratefully received.

I cannot say just now when I shall be in Michigan. When I do go to that section, however, I shall be glad to consider your group.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 17, 1940

Dr. Hamilton Holt,
Rollins College,
Winter Park, Florida.

My dear Dr. Holt:

Thank you so much for your good letter.

We are so elated to know that you are coming over to Bethune-Cookman College for the thirty-fifth anniversary celebration.

I shall be very happy if Mrs. Roosevelt can return with you in the afternoon, but her time in the forenoon is planned. We are having a Youth Hour at eleven o'clock, following which she is to visit the Federal and Civic Projects. Then, the women of our Advisory Board have made arrangements for her andMMr. Aubrey Williams, who will also be down for the anniversary, to have luncheon. You will see, therefore, that it will interfere with our program to have any arrangements made for Mrs. Roosevelt prior to five o'clock in the afternoon.

We shall do our best to cooperate with your program in March. You are very kind to invite us to do this.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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January 25, 1940

Mr. J. Richardson Jones
Box 176
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Jones:

The event of the Thirty-fifth anniversary of Bethune-Cookman College is going to be important. Mrs. Roosevelt will be here and the opportunity for pictures will be fine, I am sure. It would be fine to have pictures of this anniversary among the collection we have. There will be many photographers here. The National office of the NYA is sending down one or two and there will be others. If you are in this vicinity, it might be a grand thing for you.

I am going to have you do a little job for me as soon as I can get some money. Right now I cannot afford it.

I do not know what your terms would be for the pictures of Mrs. Roosevelt. Let me know something about it.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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January 27, 1940

Mrs. D. M. Brummitt
721 Emerson Street
Evanston, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Brummitt:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of ten dollars toward maintenance brings great help to the College at this time.

We are very sorry to know that it will not be possible for you to be with us on the 18th of February, when Mrs. Roosevelt will be here. We hope to make this a big day for Bethune-Cookman. Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 27, 1940

Miss Florence Beyer
9418 Busselton Avenue
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Miss Beyer:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of one dollar toward maintenance brings great help to the college at this time.

We hope you enjoyed your visit at Bethune-Cookman College and will stop in to see us again when you are in Daytona Beach.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 27, 1940

Mr. W. A. Stone
1443 Grothe Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mr. Stone:

Thank you very much for your letter of January 26th.

We would like to be able to say that we will do something to help your daughter in school, but it is so late in the year that all work opportunities have been given out and there is no further aid that can be granted this year. We suggest that your daughter make application in the early summer, for part-time work next year. We will then be in position to consider her for help in the Fall.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 30, 1940.

President J. W. Seabrook,
Fayetteville State Normal School,
Fayetteville, North Carolina.

Dear President Seabrook,

A group of our singers is going to Washington on February 7th, to appear in an "Artists Benefit Concert" for Bethune-Cookman College, on February [illegible]th. Since they will have to stop over one night on the trip to Washington, and one night on the return trip, we are trying to secure engagements for them for these nights. We thought of your Institution for a possible engagement on the return trip.

They will get to Fayetteville from Washington on Saturday evening, February 10, and if they might give a Concert there for your students that night, it would mean so much to us. You might make any kind of arrangement that would be desirable to you, if it might include an evening meal for our group of twenty-three students and faculty sponsors, and lodging for the night.

I am sure you will cooperate with us in this matter. May I hear from you by return mail?

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 31, 1940

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Brown
Box 3523
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Brown:

We wish to express our thanks to you and the members of your Club for your contribution of $2.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, for the service of our singers.

We enclose official receipt for same.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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138 Main St
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February 1, 1940

Mr. R. C. Oliver
Director Negro Work
Recreation Department
Gainesville, Florida

Dear Mr. Oliver:

We are giving an Artists Benefit in Washington, February 9th, for the benefit of Bethune-Cookman College. We are sending a group of our singers from the College to Washington to appear on this Artist Benefit program.

Will you be kind enough to permit,Seth Wilbur, a graduate of Bethune-Cookman College, who is in charge of the Recreation work in Daytona Beach to help us out with this program? They will leave here Tuesday, Febfuary 6th and will be away for four or five days.

Seth has a splendid voice and it would mean so much to us at this time.

Your consideration in the matter will be greatly appreciated. Please let us hear from you immediately.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

February 2, 1940

Mrs. John Bitter
3924 Dupont Circle
Jacksonville, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bitter:

I have read your letter with a great deal of interest and am delighted to know that you are working out things in such a fine way with the art students at Bethune-Cookman College. I trust that we will have a very interesting display to greet Mrs. Roosevelt.

I have noted what you say and I think you have a wonderful dream concerning the college and the students and I hope you will have a real opportunity to work it out.

Now tell me in just what way do you think I can plan to have Mrs. Roosevelt hear the Florida Symphony? How many people have you in the Symphony? Would it be possible for them to be on the grounds of Bethune-Cookman to play between the hours of 5 and 6 or about 5 o'clock on Sunday afternoon. If they could be on the grounds just at the time when Mrs. Roosevelt comes out from her address, we could have them play then. I will do anything in the world I can do to help.

As I see it now, I do not think Mrs. Roosevelt is going to stop on her way down unless she leaves here earlier. Just know that I will do all that I can.

I shall reach Daytona Beach on the morning of the 11th of February and will have the following week there to help work things out. I will give you my fullest cooperation. I know Mr. Youngblood is interested.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

February 5, 1940

Bingham and Thompson,
228½ South Beach Street,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Gentlemen,

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest and friendship for our work, which has continued over a period of many years. Your donation of $10.00, as an expression of regard at this, the thirty-fifth anniversary of the College, brings encouragement as well as help to us. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We sincerely hope that your entire staff will be present at the Anniversary Exercises on the afternoon of February 18, and the Roland Hayes Concert that evening.

With best wishes,

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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P. S. Make requests for seat tickets for the Anniversary Exercises at our office;
Purchase Roland Hayes Tickets from the office, or from the Chamber of Commerce.

M. M. B.

February 7, 1940

Mrs. Bancroft C. Davis
2410 Wyoming Avenue
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Davis:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $100.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. It is so encouraging to have a friend like you to stand by and give material support to the College during these strenuous days. Your contribution of one hundred dollars brings great relief to the College at this time.

We solicit your continued interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 7, 1940

Mr. E. A. Baker
1129 E. Engman Street
Clearwater, Florida

Dear Mr. Baker:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. It means so much to have our friends to think of us in a material way during these strenuous days. Your contribution of one dollar, 50¢ toward Maintenance and 50¢ toward Endowment, brings encouragement and material aid.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 7, 1940

Mrs. Lula L. Smith
3213 - 13th Street
Meridian, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Smith:

Thanks for your letter of January 29, relative to your WPA work. I suggest that you write to the WPA Office of Mississippi. I cannot do anything for your case on this end. If you write them and explain the situation, I am sure they will consider your case.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

February 7, 1940

Mr. Clyde A. Byrd
Florida Power and Light Company
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Byrd:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and your staff for your generous contribution of $50.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of fifty dollars toward maintenance brings encouragement and material aid at this time.

We solicit your continued interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 7, 1940

Snows Paint & Glass Company
409 Volusia Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Gentlemen:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $20.00, by Credit Memo, to Bethune-Cookman College.

We are grateful for your interest in the College and for your material support during these years. We solicit your continued interest and ask that you use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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February 8, 1940.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
The Board of Education of
The Methodist Episcopal Church,

740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Holmes,

Your letter of February 7 has been received in the absence of President Bethune from the College. She will not return from Washington until Sunday, February 11.

The following information is given in reply to your inquiry:

There are 6,974 volumes in the Library.

There are 12 Full-time Teachers on our staff.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell,
Secretary.

February 8, 1940

Rev. W. O. Bartley
310 N. W. 4th Court
Miami, Florida

Dear Rev. Bartley:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through the South Florida Conference Collection.

We enclose official receipt for same. We are grateful for your confidence and interest in Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 8, 1940

Bethel Baptist Church
Mr. H. S. Thomas, Treasurer
Tampa, Florida

Dear Friends:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through the South Florida Conference Collection.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of ten dollars toward maintenance brings great relief to the college at this time.

We are greateful for your interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 9, 1940

Dr. H. W. Bartley
1701 Arch Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Dr. Bartley:

May we express our sincere gratitude you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through the South Florida Conference Collection.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of five dollars toward maintenance brings great relief to the College at this time.

We solicit your continued interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 9, 1940.

Mrs. Walter S. Jones,
General Secretary,
Young Women's Christian Association,
130 West Monroe Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Jones:

May I thank you for your cordial letter of February 8th and assure you of our appreciation for your interest.

We shall be delighted to have you and the friends of Jacksonville whom you mentioned, to be present at the Anniversary Exercises. We enclose one of the invitations, which gives the program for the three days. If you have received an invitation kindly pass this on to another friend. We are issuing tickets for seats for the afternoon exercises, for there will be such a large crowd present. We are sending five tickets, enclosed, and if you desire additional ones, please send for them immediately. It will mean so much to have you and as large group as possible from the Interracial Committee, the Woman's Club and the Y. W. C. A.

I hope, Mrs. Jones, that you will plan staying over for the Roland Hayes Concert on the evening of February 18th. If tickets are desired, let us know when you send in the number needed for the afternoon.

With sincere good wishes,

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

February 9, 1940

Misses Idella & Olive Crowford
Reddick, Florida

Dear Misses Crowford:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to the Birthday Club of Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. We are grateful for your interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College.

We solicit your continued interest.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 9, 1940

Miss Geneva Campbell
Winterset, Iowa

Dear Miss Campbell:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your continued interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College. Your contribution of $100.00 brings great relief to the College at this time.

We enclose official receipt for same. It means so much to have a friend like you to stand by the College and give material support during these strenuous days. God bless you my dear friend.

We solicit your continued interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 9, 1940

Mr. U. W. Cunningham
835 Ballough Road
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of five dollars toward maintenance brings both encouragement and material support to the college at this time.

We solicit your continued interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 9, 1940

Rev. S. D. Bankston
P. O. Box 1141
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Rev. Bankston:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through the South Florida Conference Collection.

We enclose official receipt for same. We are grateful for your interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 9, 1940

Mr. G. D. Rogers, President
Central Life Insurance Company
1416 North Boulevard
Tampa, Florida

Dear Mr. Rogers:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and your staff for your contribution of $50.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through the South Florida Conference Collection.

We enclose official receipt for same. Your contribution of fifty dollars toward maintenance brings great relief to the College at this time. Your influence, interest and material support has meant so much to us during these years.

We solicit your continued interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 12, 1940

Mr. J. Richardson Jones
P. O. Box 176
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Jones:

This will acknowledge your telegram of February 7, and your letter of January 30 with the photostat of letter from President Patterson which I am returning to You.

You have, no doubt, received my telegram stating that we will accept your terms and will be expecting you on the 16th of February.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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February 13, 1940

Miss Carter
Seville Hotel
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Miss Carter:

May we express our sincere thanks to you for the dress given to Bethune-Cookman College, for one of our girls.

We are grateful for this manifestation of your interest in our Institution. This gift will be of great service to one of our unfortunate girls who do not have anyone to buy her clothing.

We solicit your continued interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College. Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

February 14, 1940

Mrs. Elizabeth Downhour
843 North Meridian Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Mrs. Downhour;

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for same. We are grateful for this manifestation of your confidence in our Institution.

We solicit your continued interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 14, 1940

Curtis Dry Goods Company,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Attention of Mr. Curtis.

My dear Mr. Curtis:

As you know, we are preparing for the celebration of our Thirty-Fifth Anniversary at Bethune-Cookman College.

The first public program will be a Musical-Dramatic Pageant, "The Unfolding of a Dream," which is to be presented by our students on Friday evening, February 16.

We need twenty yards of cheesecloth for costumes for this event, and I am sending this note to you, Mr. Curtis, as a friend of the College, to see if you will donate the material to us. Our success in securing maintenance funds is dependent upon the reductimn of all possible expense in connection with our publicity efforts.

Your cooperation and help along this line will be deeply appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

February 19, 1940

Misses Josephine & Louise Emery
1 Chase Road
Tilton, New Hampshire

Dear Misses Emery:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of ten dollars helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your interest and continued cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 20, 1940

Mrs. Florence Rolle
724 - 20th Street
West Palm Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Rolle:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of one dollar helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a success. We are grateful for your interest and continued cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 20, 1940

Mrs. Elia V. Sparks
820 N. Montgomery
Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Sparks;

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of five dollars helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your interest and continued cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 20, 1940

Mrs. C. Brooks Stevens
176 South Beach Street
Ormond, Florida

Dear Mrs. Stevens:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of fifty dollars to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of fifty dollars helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 20, 1940

Mrs. Andrew Robertson
734 South Ridgewood Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Robertson:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of ten dollars helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 20, 1940

Bowman Methodist Church
Rev. W. P. Holmes, Pastor
606 Constant Street
Tampa, Florida

Dear Friends:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your Lincoln Day contribution of $12.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of twelve dollars bring great encouragement and material support to the College at this time. We are grateful for your interest and continued cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 20, 1940

Mr. Frank D. Baker
240 Vine Street
Johnston, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Baker:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $50.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of fifty dollars brings encouragement as well as material support to the College at this time. We are grateful to you and other friends who helped to make our 35th Anniversary a success.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 20, 1940

Mrs. Henry White Cannon
15 East 62nd Street
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Cannon:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your material support. Your contribution of $150.00 brings great relief to the College at this time. We enclose official receipt for same.

It means so much to have a friend like you to stand by and give material support to the College during these strenuous days. God bless you my friend, for your interest and support during these years.

We solicit your continued interest and confidence.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 20, 1940

Mr. J. H. Dillard
P. O. Box 317
Charlottesville, Virginia

Dear Mr. Dillard:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $2.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of two dollars helped us greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a success.

We solicit your continued interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 21, 1940

Mr. A. Bowden, President
St. Philip's Junior College
San Antonio, Texas

Dear Mr. Bowden;

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of one dollar helped us greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your interest and material support.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 21, 1940

Mrs. Florence N. Burgman
619 North Peninsula Drive
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Burgman:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of five dollars helped us greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 21, 1940

Mr. Leo Eloesser
490 Post Street
San Francisco, California

My dear Mr. Eloesser:

In reply to your letter of February 5, I regret to advise that I do not know Dr. Norman Bethune.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune
Director, Division of Negro Affairs

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February 21, 1940

Mrs. S. H. Hart
500 W. Ashley Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mrs. Hart:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of one dollar helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 21, 1940

Mr. Edward Rodriguez
Garrett Biblical Institute
Evanston, Illinois

My dear Edwin:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of five dollars helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 22, 1940

Miss Madelyn Roberts, President
Dunbar Elementary School
505 N. W. 20th Street
Miami, Florida

Dear Miss Roberts;

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of five dollars helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful to you and the members of your faculty for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 22, 1940

Dr. Mary H. S. Hayes
National Youth Administration
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Hayes:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of ten dollars helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 28, 1940

Mr. and Mrs. A. St. George Richardson
1936 Calhoun Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Richardson:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of five dollars helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 22, 1940

Mrs. Ila Griffin
Titusville, Florida

Dear Mrs. Griffin;

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of one dollar helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 22, 1940

Mrs. Inez T. Boyer
1611 Lamar Avenue
Tampa, Florida

Dear Mrs. Boyer:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of five dollars helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 22, 1940

Rev. H. W. Bartley
1701 Arch Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Rev. Bartley:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $3.50 to Bethune-Cookman College - for pictorial literature for Roland Hayes' Concert. We enclose official receipt for same.

We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 22, 1940

Miss Canis A. Cleveland
Crawford Road
Rock Hill, South Carolina

Dear Miss Cleveland:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of one dollar helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 22, 1940

Rev. J. J. Carter, Treasurer
Richmond Beneficial Insurance Co.
2nd & Jackson Streets
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Rev. Carter:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of five dollars helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful to you and the members of your church for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 22, 1940

Mrs. A. B. DeMent
708 S. E. 4th Avenue
Mineral Wells, Texas

Dear Mrs. DeMent:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of one dollar helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 22, 1940

Miss Boothe C. Davis
943 Daytona Avenue
Holly Hill, Florida

Dear Miss Davis:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of five dollars helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 22, 1940

Silver Leaf Charity Club
Mrs. John T. Stocking, President
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Friends:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of ten dollars helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 22, 1940

Mrs. Venice T. Spraggs
1930 25th Avenue, North
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Mrs. Spraggs:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of one dollar helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 22, 1940

Mrs. Daisy H. Stocking
682 Second Avenue or P. O. Box 1614
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Stocking:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your recent contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College and for your interest during the years. We enclose official receipt for same.

We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 22, 1940

Miss Mary L. Smith
229 East Church Street
DeLand, Florida

Dear Miss Smith:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of one dollars helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 22, 1940

Mr. Benjamin F. Seldon
355 South Clinton Street
East Orange, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Seldon:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of five dollars helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 23, 1940

Miss Ethel Darby
702 North Atlantic Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Miss Darby:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of ten dollars helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 23, 1940

Mrs. Walter S. Jones
General Secretary, YWCA
130 West Monroe Street
Jacksonville, Florida

My dear Mrs. Jones:

Sunday was a grand day for us. I hope you were here. I do want to talk with you sometime. I was in Jacksonville last Wednesday for a meeting at the Center of an interesting group of NYA workers. If you are down this way, please stop in for a conference with me.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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February 23, 1940

Mr. T. D. Dansby, Principal
Campbell Street High School
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mr. Dansby:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you, your faculty and student body for your contribution of $12.20 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of twenve dollars twenty cents helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperatibn.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 23, 1940

Mrs. Katie Craigmiles and Daughter
2231 E. 86th Street
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Craigmiles:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of five dollars means so much to the College at this time. We are grateful for your thought of us and for your continued interest.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 23, 1940

Mrs. G. M. Carr, Principal
Campbell Street Elementary School
Campbell Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Carr:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you, the members of your faculty and student body for your contribution of $6.60 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of six dollars and sixty cents helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 23, 1940

Mr. R. W. Bullock
347 Madison Avenue
New York City

Dear Mr. Bullock:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $15.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of fifteen dollars helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 23, 1940

Mrs. Robert Bloomer
688 Hoyt Street, S. W.
Warren, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Bloomer:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of one dollar helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 23, 1940

Peninsula Temple #329
Daughter of Elks
Mrs. C. L. Laurence, Daughter Ruler
713 Marion Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Friends:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of five dollars helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 23, 1940

Mrs. C. M. Ranslow
P. O. Box 235
Holly Hill, Florida

My dear Mrs. Ranslow:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your untiring service and material support to the College during these years, and for your recent contribution of $25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of twenty-five dollars means so much to the College at this time. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 24, 1940

Miss M. Evelyn Bonner, Principal
Cypress Street Elementary School
551 Cedar Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Miss Bonner:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you, your staff and student body for your contribution of $6.55 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of six dollars fifty-five cents helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 24, 1940

Miss Grace Brewer
and
Mrs. Hattie Cuthbert,
138 Second Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Friends,

May I just express the warmest gratitude of Bethune-Cookman College, for your cooperation and help during the recent celebration of the 35th anniversary of the Institution. Your influence, material contributions and solicitation of food, helped immeasurably in making the occasion a success. We all felt that it was the most far-reaching thing that Bethune-Cookman has ever done, and the results from it will be beneficial for years to come.

Please continue thoughtful of us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 26, 1940

Mrs. W. L. Bailey
1127 North Second Street
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Dear Mrs. Bailey:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of one dollar helped greatly in making our 35th Anniversary a material success. We are grateful for your interest and cooperation.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 26, 1940

Mr. W. W. E. Blanchet
The Fort Valley State College
Fort Valley, Georgia

Dear Mr. Blanchet:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of ten dollars means so much to the college at this time. We are grateful for your interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 26, 1940

Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Denison
2873 North Park Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Denison:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of ten dollars means so much to the College at this time. We are grateful for your interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 27, 1940

Dr. M. W. Dogan, President
Wiley College
Marshall, Texas

Dear Dr. Dogan:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of five dollars means so much to the College at this time. We are grateful for your continued interest and co-operation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 27, 1940

Mr. John Wesley Dobbs
540 Houston Street
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Dobbs;

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $2.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of two dollars means so much to the College at this time. We are grateful for your interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 27, 1940

Mr. W. T. Bradley
808 Elliott Avenue
Savannah, Georgia

My dear Mr. Bradley:

I have read your letter with a great deal of sympathetic understanding. I wish I knew some way to help you out of your present situation but at present I know of no solution.

I am suggesting that you communicate with Mr. Alva Tabor, Fort Valley State Teachers College, Fort Valley, Georgia, who is State agricultural agent for Georgia. He might be able to give you some suggestions along your line of work. You might write to Mr. Rogers. Make your applications to the various institutions and if there is any recommendation I can give that will help you, please know that I shall be very happy to do it.

My hands are very full. These have been busy days for us here. We are having such a hard time trying to raise the money to keep our doors open.

Keep up your courage and faith.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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February 28, 1940.

Mr. Ernest Wideman,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mr. Wideman,

It has been brought to the attention of the College Discipline Committee that you have cut your classes repeatedly during this quarter and that the record of your work is far below the standard required in this institution.

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It has also been noted that you were publicly conspicuous for drunkeness and profanity at the Theatre and at the Alumni Dance on Saturday evening, February 17, 1940, and so conducted yourself as to bring grave criticism upon the Institution ~~of~~ in which you are a student.

You have been in Bethune-Cookman College as a student on the NYA special project this year, and this aid of $15.00 a month has been granted you for development along academic and industrial lines. We regret that your lack of application and conduct have caused us withdraw the aid, and to request your immediate withdrawal from the College.

We are asking that you leave the campus by noon Thursday, February 29, 1940.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

James A. Bond, Dean.

February 29, 1940.

Mr. W. Ellis Stewart, Secretary,
Supreme Liberty Life Insurance Company,
Supreme Liberty Life Building,
3511 South Parkway,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mr. Stewart:

I just want to thank you for your continued interest in my welfare. I am here in Florida for some weeks, although I shall go to Washington for some meetings on March 9th. My time while there will be greatly taken, for I will be returning to the College immediately. I shall be there on the afternoon of Friday, March 8th, and if your physician can give [illegible] examination at that time or on Friday evening, I shall be very grateful. I could hardly hope for time for this to be done on Saturday morning, before I go into my meetings. Kindly let me know if this appointment, at the time indicated, can be arranged.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 29, 1940

The Editor
The Quarterly Visitor
Johnstown, Pennsylvania

Dear Sir:

May I join the thousands of admirers of Dr. Joseph W. Jarvis who is now in Cuba as Superintendent of African Methodism, in congratulating him upon the outstanding work he has done for God and the nation during the past forty-five years. His road has not been an easy one. His services have been unselfish and unstinted. We bring to him as a co-worker in the vineyard of the Master our love and appreciation. May many more years be granted him to carry on.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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General Correspondence (Outgoing) March-April

March 1, 1940.

Mrs. William H. Moore,
4 East 54th Street,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Moore:

We had so hoped that you would come to Florida this winter. We should like so much to have you visit Bethune-Cookman and see, at first hand, what we have been trying to do. You have been most generous to us in the way of material aid and have a large share in the recent development of this work.

We earnestly solicit your continued interest and confidence, Mrs. Moore. We have been able to keep up our current maintenance obligations this year although we have not added appreciably to our endowment figure. I find myself with great pressure, however, from the deficit accounts brought over from last year. While the figures of these accounts are not large, they are most urgent. If you can possibly find it in your great heart to contribute one thousand dollars to us at this time, I cannot tell you how much relief it will bring to our Institution and to me. Please, Mrs. Moore, help us at this time.

Again, may we express our gratitude for all you have done during the years.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 1, 1940

Mrs. Elizabeth B. Bass
620 Sanford Avenue
Sanford, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bass;

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of one dollar toward Endowment Fund means so much to the College at this time. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 1, 1940.

Mrs. Joseph F. Cannon,
"Dunetop"
Ormond Beach, Florida.

My dear, dear Mrs. Cannon:

Your beautiful note and the generous check from you and your little grand-daughter, were great vindications of my faith. God bless you. We are more grateful for this help than we can ever express to you. What a relief it has brought to my heart and my mind.

Our Advisory Board voted you into membership at the meeting a few days ago. I am sincerely hoping that you will accept this place. I talked with you very freely in our personal conference and I feel that this is a great field of service. May He draw your thinking and your consideration toward this most needy field.

May I express my personal gratitude for all that you are doing for us, for enriching the lives of the children whom you are teaching on the campus. They have so little real inspiration in the things that count. This is a real contribution to humanity.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 1, 1940.

Mrs. H. W. Cannon
432 South Beach Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Cannon:

I talked with you over telephone a few days ago and expressed the desire to see you. I am now taking this opportunity to write you.

You were so kind to make a donation of one hundred fifty dollars to us a few days ago. You cannot imagine what relief we received from the gifts which came in at the time of the Anniversary celebration.

The pressure for funds to make payments on the deficit accounts from last year is very great now. We have been able to keep up very well this year but these old bills are now urgent.

I am writing to see if you will not make a sacrifice, Mrs. Cannon, and contribute five hundred dollars to help us meet these most immediate needs. I feel that I can approach you in this way, even though you have so recently contributed to the work. I feel that if you can do this for us, you will.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 1, 1940

DeLand Tourist Club
Deland, Florida

Attention of the Manager

Dear Sir:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and the guests of your Club for the opportunity given our Singers to serve you and for your contribution of $25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

We hope you enjoyed the program rendered by our group and will give them an opportunity to serve you again in the future.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 1, 1940

President J. W. Seabrook
State Teachers College
Fayetteville, North Carolina

Dear President Seabrook:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of ten dollars means so much to the College at this time. We are grateful for your continued interest and co-operation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 5, 1940

Mrs. Anna S. Ingraham, Principal
Sparta Agricultural & Industrial Institute
Sparta, Georgia

My dear Mrs. Ingraham:

Thank you for your letter of February 19. I am delighted to know that you visited our institution. I am sorry, however, that I did not see you. Our school is progressing nicely. God is continually blessing us for all our efforts.

It is distressing to know that you lost your building. I hope you will be successful in rebuilding as a memorial to Mr. Ingraham.

We shall be happy to welcome you whenever you are in Florida and when I am in your vicinity, I shall put forth a special effort to visit your school.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

mmb/d

March 5, 1940

Mr. Edward A. Ellerbe, Editor
Star Edition
The Florida Times-Union
Adams and Pearl Streets
Jacksonville, Florida

My dear Mr. Ellerbe:

Thank you for your letter of February 27 and the clipping regarding our anniversary celebration.

You have been very kind to us and we want you to know that we sincerely appreciate your thoughtfulness in giving to us so much publicity. Our anniversary celebration was quite a success. God is continually blessing us for all our efforts.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

mmb/d

March 5, 1940

The Reverend Florence R. Jardine
22 Oak Grove Street
Minneapolis, Minnesota

My dear Mrs. Jardine:

Thank you for your letter of February 24 and the enclosures. I hope to meet you at the next General Conference and may the things desired be granted.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

mmb/d

March 6, 1940

Mrs. Sarah J. Bell
St. Mary's Guild of
St. Augustine Mission
640 Grove Street
Elizabeth, New Jersey

Dear Mrs. Bell:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and the members of the St. Mary'S Guild for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, which Mrs. Belden has sent down to us. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of five dollars toward maintenance brings great relief to the College at this time. We are grateful for your interest and cooperation. May God bless each of you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 6, 1940

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mr. Decomb
Orange Villa Hotel
125 Orange Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Decomb:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of books to our Library. The books have been placed on the shelves of our Library and will be used by the students and teachers of the community as well as the students of the College.

It was so kind of you to think of us in this material way. We are grateful to you for your interest and confidence in our work. Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 6, 1940

Miss Florence R. Read
Spelman College
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Read;

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of five dollars means so much to the College at this time. We are grateful for your continued interest and co-operation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 7, 1940

Mr. Kenneth W. Eells
315 S. Edgewood Street
Arlington, Virginia

Dear Mr. Eells:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of five dollars brings great relief to the College at this time. It is so encouraging to have someone to think of us in a material way during these strenuous days. We are grateful for your interest and cooperation.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1812 Ninth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.
March 7, 1940

Mr. Snow F. Grigsby
650 Gratoit Avenue
Detroit, Michigan

My dear Mr. Grigsby:

This will acknowledge your letter of February 29. I have noted very carefully all you have said.

Mrs. Stewart is in full charge of the Frederick Douglass Home and I am sure she will be glad to let you know whether or not it will be possible for some of the things from the Home exhibited at the Fair.

It is my plan to go to Detroit for the exposition. Just how much time I will have to spend there, I cannot now tell.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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March 7, 1940

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mrs. Sue Bailey Thurman
Howard University
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Thurman:

Just a note to tell you that I will be in Washington on March 8 and will call you up Saturday morning, March 9.

I am enclosing $1000for a subscription to our Journal for Mrs. Fannie E. Robinson, 2588 Seventh Avenue, New York City.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

March 7, 1940

Miss Ruth Draper
66 E. 79th Street
New York City

Dear Miss Draper:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same. We are grateful for your interest and material support during these years.

Your contribution of ten dollars means so much to the College at this time. God bless you for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 9, 1940

Mr. Amos D. Guerrant
3332 1 4th Street
Corona, New York

My dear Mr. Guerrant:

Your beautiful letter of March 4 has been received. I want to thank you for your kind expressions concerning me and my work. I shall try to prove worthy of the confidence placed in me by so many fine people.

I think our anniversary celebration was grand. It was the supreme moment for Bethune-Cookman and we are thankful to God for the many blessings bestowed upon us.

Please keep us in mind.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

mmb/d

March 9, 1940

Mr. C. T. Williams
406 S. Parramore Street
Orlando, Florida

My dear Mr. Williams:

Thank you for your letter of March 5 and your invitation to go to Orlando for a mass meeting of my group.

Your organization is a political one and because of the Hatch Bill, I am not permitted to take part in any political meetings. I hope you will understand and do all you can to have our group realize the importance of becoming good citizens.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

mmb/d

March 11, 1940

Mrs. Martha Cleveland
P. O. Box 88
Titusville, Florida

My dear Mrs. Cleveland:

Thank you so much for the beautiful hand work you sent me. It was so kind of you to think in this pleasant way. I appreciate it very much indeed.

Please keep us in mind and let us hear from you occasionally.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

mmb/d

March 12, 1940

Mr. Snow F. Grigsby
650 Gratoit Avenue
Detroit, Michigan

My dear Mr. Grigsby:

Bethune-Cookman College will be very happy to send an exhibit for Seventy-Five Years of Negro Progress Exposition which is to be held in Detroit from May 10 through the 19th. We would like to have a booth 10' x 15'.

Please let us know just what time we are to have the exhibit there.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

mmb/d

March 12, 1940

Prof. R. H. Cassey
624 W. Beaver Street
Jacksonville, Florida

My dear Professor Cassey:

I have just read your interesting letter dated February 8 regarding your son.

I would like very much to have your son presented in concert here but it will be impossible to arrange a concert now because of the many, many activities we have on hand. We are very, very busy this time of the year. I would like to hear him myself and hope it will be possible for me to do so at a later date. He must be marvelous.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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March 13, 1940.

Miss Charlotte Jelks, Executive Secretary,
Duval County Family Welfare Agency,
700 West 10th Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Attention - Miss Martha DuPree, District Visitor.

Dear Miss Dupree;

Our current catalogs will be off the press in a few days. There has been a delay, incident to the current publicity for various events at the College, in the publication of the catalog. We will be glad to send you a copy, although we do not accept students as young as thirteen years of age. Our courses are for Junior College and Teacher Training only.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

March 13, 1940.

Mr. Lamar R. Plunkett,
District Educational Adviser,
Headquarters, District I, CCC,
Fort Moultrie, South Carolina.

DEA-295-CCC

Dear Mr. Plunkett;

Thank you very much for your letter of February 5th.

It is very interesting to know that the Colored CCC Camps of your district are in need of qualified Negro enrollees to serve as Company clerks. We have noted the qualifications for such workers, and will see if any of our students can take advantage of such a fine opportunity as you have indicated. Our students will not complete their work here until May 30th. Please let me know if they may be considered for the CCC work as late as June 1st.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 15, 1940

Mr. Benjamin F. Hubert
Georgia Teachers and Educational Association
Industrial College, Georgia

My dear Mr. Hubert:

Thank you for your letter of March 8 and your invitation to speak before the Georgia Teachers and Educational Association at Waycross on April 5.

I am returning to Washington on the first of April and already have an engagement in Philadelphia on April 5. I am sorry I will not be able to do this for you. If I were going to be in this section, I would be glad to speak for you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

mmb/d

March 15, 1940

Mrs. Henry F. Grady
The Highlands
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Grady:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your letter of February 21, addressed to Mrs. Durr, and for your check for $2.00. We enclose official receipt for same.

Our Washington Benefit Concert was a great success. This was made possible through the help and cooperation of friends like you. Please know that we are grateful for your interest and cooperation.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 15, 1940.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Ely, Jr.
2406 Kalorama Road, Northwest,
Washington, D. C.

My dear, dear Friends,

I cannot tell you how much your beautiful letter, and your generous donations, meant to the College and to me. Tears came to my eyes as I read each sentence, filled with interest and sincerity. May God bless you for this interest and this help, which has come at such an opportune time.

It made me so happy to have you here for the Anniversary. We all felt that it was an occasion of far-reaching importance. I am glad to know that Dean Bond's fine address made such a favorable impression.

Things continue to go well here at the College and we are putting forth every possible effort to bring the year to a successful close, with the deficits reduced as much as possible. Since God has sent us so many fine friends, this seems a real possibility.

I shall read the book "God and America" with much interest and will give you my comments.

Mrs. Smith has returned home but Arabella is still here and will remain with me until I return to Washington.

God bless both youyou. Know that we are so grateful to you and for you.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 15, 1940

Miss Bessie V. Grant
1114 Eoff Street
Wheeling, West Virginia

Dear Miss Grant:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. Official receipt for same is enclosed.

We are grateful for your thought of us and for your material support during these strenuous days. We solicit your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 15, 1940

Mr. Benny Goodman
New York City

My dear Mr. Goodman:

The students and faculty of Bethune-Cookman College join me in expressing our very deep appreciation to you for your generous gift of the most beautiful drum set we have ever seen. God bless you.

As we listen to your matchless band over the radio, our hearts beat with warm appreciation for you. Thousands of Negroes all over America will call you blessed because of this gift and your generous consideration of the Negro people in general. I wish you might know how you have gladdened the hearts of our people and how you have raised their hopes and aspirations in the field of music. We hope some day that a grand orchestra and music center will be set up here so that the people in this section might have an opportunity to hear our great musicians. May God multiply your gift and your interest. We are so grateful.

I hope to have the pleasure of meeting you some day in person and to express to you in words the gratitude I feel in my heart. Not knowing where to reach you, I am sending this letter to our friends in New York, Mr. and Mrs. Norman, so that they may send it on to you. Just know that the appreciation of the students, teachers and friends of Bethune-Cookman College will ever follow you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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March 16, 1940

Mrs. G. D. Rogers
207 Ninth Avenue
Bradenton, Florida

My dear Mrs. Rogers:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you, the President and guests of the Tourist Club for the opportunity given our Singers to serve you and for your contribution of $25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

We hope you enjoyed the program rendered by our group and will give them an opportunity to entertain you again soon.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 16, 1940

Mrs. Margaret A. Fairbanks
Ridgewood Hotel
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Fairbanks;

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $7.35 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of seven dollars thirty-five cents, Birthday Club dues, means so much to the College at this time. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 16, 1940

Mrs. E. A. Graham
608½ Second Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Graham:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of five dollars brings great relief and encouragement to the College at this time. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 18, 1940

Prof. R. H. Cossey
624 Beaver Street, West
Jacksonville, Florida

My dear Professor Cossey:

This will acknowledge your letter of March 14. I would like to hear your son sing, however, I would advise that you let him sing on Easter Sunday afternoon at our community meeting. The meeting is held at 3 P. M. He will have an opportunity to appear before a larger audience who might be interested in him and there might be someone in the audience who would like to give him an opportunity to sing a concert for them.

Please let me know if this can be done.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

mmb/d

March 18, 1940

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Miss Richetta G. Randolph
69 Fifth Avenue
New York City

My dear Miss Randolph:

I have received your letter and your telegram inviting me to speak at Mount Olivet Baptist Church on Wednesday evening, May 22.

I know you understand that I would love to do this for you. Due to the fact, however, that my commencement exercises at Bethune-Cookman College will be held around that time, it will not be possible to do so. I must be in Florida that entire week.

These are very busy days for me. I have been going pretty fast and have been compelled to stop and take some rest. I have been confined to my room for several days now.

I hope your celebration will be a success and if I can be of service to you at a more convenient time, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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March 18, 1940

Mrs. Anna Hammond-Robinson
715 W. 8th Street
Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Robinson:

Thank you for your letter of March 4, and for the lovely poem "Get A Woman" dedicated to me. I think its grand.

May God bless you and may you continue thought of and prayerful for Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 18, 1940

Mrs. Oliver Cope
Friends of Refugee Teachers
178 Coolidge Hill
Cambridge, Massachusetts

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My dear Mrs. Cope:

I have read your letter of March 11 with great interest.

Your plan is very interesting and we would like to be placed on your list for consideration. We would be particularly interested in the fields of music, cooperatives, arts and crafts. We would also like to know the requirements for such help as may come to us.

The folder you mentioned in your letter was not enclosed. We would be happy to receive any literature regarding the plan so that we might have all the information.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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Thomas

March 18, 1940

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Miss Alida Banks
Howard University
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Banks:

May we express our sincere appreciation to you for your contribution of $2.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, for your Washington Concert Ticket. We enclose official receipt for same.

Our Washington Concert was a great success. This was made possible through the help and cooperation of friends like you. We solicit your continued interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 19, 1940

Mrs Charles P. Browning
4019 Vincennes Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Charles:

I want to thank you for the grand time we had Sunday before last with Congressman T. V. Smith. He was marvelous. We had an audience made of people from every state in the Union and a student body that was thrilled. I think he enjoyed it. He spoke in most commendable terms of you, your splendid ability and of the things you are doing.

We carried out your orders and had the pictures made. I am sending you one. I think they are lovely.

Our anniversary was superb. I am sure you read of it and I do not need to talk about it. Just wish you had been here.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

mmb/d

March 20, 1940

Mrs. Lillian Smith
c/o Mrs. Arenia M. Belden
352 West 115th Street
New York City

My dear Mrs. Smith:

May I thank you for your letter of March 19 regarding the proposed presentation of "A Doll House" at the Guild Theatre.

I think it would be a fine thing and will give a great deal of wholesome publicity to the College and possibly create new friends for us. The Executive Committee talked the matter over and decided that they would give their consent and approval but that the College would not be obligated in any way. I shall try my best to be in New York on May 5 to contact the group.

I want to tell you how much we appreciate the interest you are manifesting in our College and I hope it will be my pleasure to meet all the young people one day, for a personal chat.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

mmb/d

March 20, 1940

Mr. Yasuichi Hikida
257 West 85th Street
New York City

My dear Mr. Hikida:

Thank you so much for your letter of March 14. I, too, regret not having seen you before leaving Washington. I had hoped that we might have had a chance for a little chat. It was lovely to have you at the station that morning when we came in.

Our anniversary was grand. I shall be very happy to send you a copy of the pageant. The committee is getting it in shape now.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

mmb/d

March 20, 1940

Mr. Warren B. Harrison
306 East 43rd Street
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mr. Harrison:

Thank you for your letter of March 16. I will be happy to have you photograph me while I am in Chicago. While there, I shall, in all probability, stop at the home of Mrs. Mame Mason Higgins, 4406 Indiana Avenue. You may get in touch with me there.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

mmb/d

March 20, 1940

Miss Clara D. Mann
P. O. Box 6
New Bern, North Carolina

My dear Miss Mann:

May I say to you most earnestly that the people of my race all over America are no more anxious to have me come and meet them than I am to go to them wherever they may be in this country of ours, but may I tell you that the days have not sufficient hours, the weeks sufficient days and the years sufficient months for me to cover the space that I would like to cover; neither has the strength been mine to extend my power of endurance so that all of these desires may be met.

How much my work needs the money you would like to give,-- yet that would not bring me to you. My desire to serve, to contact and to help would be my inventive to come. I am hoping that the Negro people all over American, even though they may never see me, may see the importance of giving support to the college while I am so freely giving myself for the Negro's cause everywhere. They must not punish me by forcing me to over do. They must be sufficiently interested to help me so that my life may be extended.

April is over full for me, and so is May. I am so sorry that I cannot come to you at this time but some day I will find my way to you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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Board

March 20, 1940

Dr. M. J. Holmes
740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Dr. Holmes:

I would be very happy if you will send a word to Dr. Wright regarding your suggestions for the committee. I told him that I thought you would like to have Miss Day on that committee. I am hoping that this committee will be speedily formed and go to work.

Things are going very well here.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

mmb/d

March 21, 1940

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Mrs. Cristobel Sherman Reaves
Ocala, Florida

My dear Cristobel:

The sad news of the death of your darling mother has just reached me. The faculty and students of the College join me in extending to you our symapthy in your bereavement. May His strength be sufficient for you. Remember He never burdens us with more than we can bear. God bless you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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March 21, 1940

Mr. E. H. Baldwin
Coronado Beach Club
Coronado Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and the guests of your Hotel for the opportunity given our Singers to entertain you and for your contribution of $12.65 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

We hope you enjoyed the program rendered by our group and will give them an opportunity to serve you again in the future.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 21, 1940

Mrs. Mary A. Griffin
10 Street
Lynn Haven, Florida

Dear Mrs. Griffin;

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

We are grateful for your interest and cooperation during these strenuous days.

I wouldn't advise you to write Mrs. Roosevelt for help to keep your children in school. I suggest that you have your children make application for NYA aid to the principal of the school they are attending. If it is too late to give them aid this term, ask him to keep their names on the waiting list for next school term.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 21, 1940

The Rotary Club
Sarasota, Florida

Attention of the Manager

Dear Sir:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and the guest of your Club for the opportunity given our Singers to entertain you and for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College

We hope you enjoyed the program rendered by our group and will give them an opportunity to serve you again in the future.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 22, 1940

Miss Birdie M. Hairston
Lincoln University
Jefferson City, Missouri

Dear Miss Hairston:

Thank you for your letter of March 16, relative to the Popularity Contest at Lincoln University.

I am enclosing my check for $2.00 and returning three of the votes. I wish it was possible for me to buy all of the votes, but I cannot afford it at this time. I hope you will be the winner of the Contest.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Sent

March 23, 1940.

Mrs. Henry M. Strong,
Rollins College,
Winter Park, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Strong:

I wish very much that you might come to Daytona Beach and spend a couple of hours on the campus of Bethune-Cookman College. It would mean so much to us to have you go through the school and take note of our entire program.

If you cannot find it convenient to come over, I would like to drive over to Winter Park to see you, before you leave.

Please let me know when we may expect you, if you can make it possible to visit our Institution.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 25, 1940

The Reverend Henry C. Bunton
106 N. Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida

My dear Mr. Bunton:

This will acknowledge your letter of March 21 and your request to conduct the Leadership Training School at Bethune-Cookman College August 26 to 31.

We would be happy to have the group at the College this year. We could take care of the group for $1.00 per day per member. If your membership will be one hundred or over, we could do this at this price without a loss to the College.

If our terms meet with your approval, kindly communicate with Mrs. Bertha L. Mitchell, Secretary of the College.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

mmb/d

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March 23, 1940.

Mr. Edwin R. Embree, President,
The Julius Rosenwald Fund,
4901 Ellis Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mr. Embree:

Bethune-Cookman College needs some material help, in order that we may close out this fiscal year without deficit. Our budget for the year was prepared with the inclusion of the deficit from last year, with the hope that we might be able to raise sufficient maintenance funds this year to cover both deficit and current items.

We have appealed to your Foundation for aid, but you were unable to help us.

I am writing now to ask you to refer to us some Foundation or Organization that might be interested in the type of work that we are doing. There may be some organization of which we have no knowledge, that might give to us some assistance. If you can recommend such organizations to us, or use your influence in our behalf with any of them, we shall greatly appreciate it.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 25, 1940

The Reverend Henry C. Bunton
106 N. Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida

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If our terms meet with your approval, kindly communicate with Mrs. Bertha L. Mitchell, Secretary of the College.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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March 28, 1940

Mr. A. J. Polk, Principal
Central Academy
Palatka, Florida

My dear Mr. Polk:

May I thank you for your letter of March 20 and your invitation to address the graduating class of Central Academy on May 3.

I regret that I will not be in the State on that date but I will be happy if you will have our good dean, James A. Bond, do this for you. He is a splendid speaker. If he cannot go, I am suggesting our Mr. Hacker, a splendid young man who will bring a fine message to the group. It would be a fine thing to have someone from Bethune-Cookman do this and I am sorry I cannot be here to do it. I will be in Atlantic City attending the General Conference on that day.

I regret to state that the staff for the summer school has been made up and the workers have been notified. We always enjoy having you and would have been happy to use you if there were a vacancy on the staff.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

mmb/d

March 29, 1940.

Mr. W. Ellis Stewart, Secretary,
Supreme Liberty Life Insurance Company,
3501 South Parkway,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mr. Stewart:

Thank you very much for your letter of March 26th.

We are enclosing Policy Number 10818, in order that the reduction from $5,000 to $2,000 may be made.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 29, 1940

Mrs. Jannie L. Poe
P. O. Box 111
Eustis, Florida

My dear Mrs. Poe:

May I join the womanhood of Florida and the nation in extending my congratulations to our outstanding leader, Mrs. Viola T. Hill for the grand work she is doing and has done for these 21 years in leading the Baptist women of our State; for her fine work in our national conventions and the integration of her women into the activities of State and Union.

Her splendid unselfishness has given to her a signal place in the category of Christ leadership. I regret exceedingly my inability to be present to help you in person to honor her, but I do bring congratulations and appreciation from Bethune-Cookman College, the National Council of Negro Women and the National Youth Administration.

May many years still be granted Viola T. Hill to carry us on to higher heights. God bless her and her work and give her courage and faith and energy to carry on.

A great admirer,

Mary McLeod Bethune

mmb/d

March 29, 1940

Miss Grace F. Boyd
1726 Arctic Avenue
Atlantic City, New Jersey

My dear Miss Boyd:

You know how happy I would be to be there for the 20th of April to help honor our friend, but really, I cannot do it. A day's work in my office means a great deal to me. I must be in Baltimore on the 21st of April and it would mean too much traveling. I have not been very well for the past three weeks and find that it will be necessary for me to get more rest. You know I am interested and would love to be there but I cannot do it this time.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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March 29, 1940.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Dean L. S. Cozart,
Barber Scotia Junior College,
Concord, North Carolina.

Dear Dean Cozart:

The students of the graduating classes, and faculty of Bethune-Cookman College, join me in extending to you a cordial invitation to deliver our Commencement address on Friday, May 31, 1940, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

We sincerely hope that you will find it possible to confer this honor upon us.

Cordially yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 30, 1940

Mrs. Lillian H. Cary
1665 College Street
Knoxville, Tennessee

My dear Mrs. Cary:

Thank you so much for the opportunity you have given me to send a word of greeting to the Third Annual Jabberwock for April 12. I am happy to do this. I am delighted to be associated with such fine girls.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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March 30, 1940

To the Sorors of
Beta Omicron Chapter
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority

Greetings!

May your Third Annual Jabberwock bring a pleasant and profitable exchange of ideas, a greater vision and plans for more effective service. I congratulate you and wish for you continued success.

Sincerely,

Mary McLeod Bethune

Original Letter
to: Mrs. Hackan,
Miss Hampton &
Mr. Evans.

Jem.

March 30, 1940

Mr. Harold A. Ehrensperger
740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mr. Ehrensperger:

Thank you very much for your letter of March 25 giving information regarding the Student Leadership Training Conferences that are to be held this summer. We shall study this information carefully and will do our best to have a representative at one of these conferences.

Bethune-Cookman College is seriously handicapped financially. We do not see our way as clearly as we would like for our participation in these important conferences that mean so much to the moral and spiritual life of our campus. We shall, however, do our very best because we realize the importance of these conferences.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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March 30, 1940

Mrs. Charles Simmons
Ashley and Clay Streets
Jacksonville, Florida

My dear Mrs. Simmons:

I have not heard from you for a long, long time nor have I seen you. A friend was talking about you the other day and she told me of the ill health of Mr. Simons and of the passing of your beautiful daughter about a year ago. May I tell you how sorry I am to hear this and I hope Mr. Simons will soon be restored to health.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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March 31, 1940.

Miss Howard,
Bethune-Cookman College.

My dear Miss Howard:

We have looked through our affairs and find it will be impossible to comply with your requirements for assisting us for the next two months. We greatly appreciate your coming down for this conference, and if you will us to take care of your transportation from Jacksonville and return, we will be happy to do so.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 1, 1940

Rev. W. O. Bartley
310 N. W. 11th Street
Miami, Florida

My dear Rev. Bartley:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and the Members of your Church for your contribution of $112.00, conference collection, to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of one hundred twelve dollars means so much to the College at this time. We are grateful for your continued interest and cooperation at this time. It is so encouraging to have a group of friends like your group to stand by and give material support to the College during these strenuous days. These are very strenuous days for us and your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Please continue thoughtful for us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

April 1, 1940

Mrs. Anna Spencer
416 N. Wild Olive Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Spencer:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for helping to make our Bazaar a success. We are grateful to you for your service and for the beautiful sandwiches you decorated for our afternoon tea.

Our Bazaar was a great success. This was made possible through the interest and cooperation of friends like you. We are grateful for your interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 2nd, 1940.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Rogers,
207 Ninth Avenue,
Bradenton, Florida.

My dear, dear Friends:

My heart bleeds with yours in the passing of your dear little girl. I know this is so hard for you. I wish I might be with you but this comes just at the time when I am about to take the train for Washington. I hope it will be possible for Margaret or Bert to be there for the funeral.

Our students, teachers and Boards all join me in expressing deepest sympathy to you and the entire family. I know just how dear every child is to your heart and what it means to have one taken away. Just keep the thought that God has been marvellously good to you and I hope, in this time of deep sorrow that you may find His Grace sufficient. Just know that we are with you in mind and spirit.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 2, 1940

Rev. James A. Jarvis
615 Rosedale Avenue
Johnstown, Pennsylvania

My dear Rev. Jarvis:

Thank you for your beautiful letter of March 5, and for the good things said about our 35th Anniversary.

Please continue thoughtful of us and tell others about our work here.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 2nd, 1940.

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Mrs. W. F. Morris,
138 Arlington Way,
Ormond Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Morris,

The students and teachers of Bethune-Cookman College join me in extending deepest sympathy to you in the passing of your dear husband.

Please keep the thought that God has given you the blessing of sharing this noble life for so many years, and in this time of sorrow, you will find His grace sufficient.

We are thinking of you and praying for you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 3, 1940

Mrs. Maud Roberts George
3231 South Vernon Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mrs. George:

I have just received the news of your esteemed and illustrious husband's passing and I send this note to express my own sympathy and the sympathy of the National Council of Negro Women.

Please keep the thought, in these lonely hours, that God has given to you the blessing of sharing this noble life for so many years, and His Grace will be sufficient in your need for adjustment and understanding.

We are thinking of you and praying for you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 3, 1940.

Mr. D. O. Calloway,
Tuskegee Institute,
Tuskegee, Alabama.

My dear Mr. Calloway:

The students and teachers of Bethune-Cookman College join me in expressing deepest sympathy in the passing of Mr. C. J. Calloway. For so many years he has given inspiration and leadership to Negro education in the South. We shall miss his influence and his service.

In the days of sorrow which seem, inevitably, to follow the passing of a loved and respected one, we must all realize that Our Father, Who gives us the blessing of noble lives for inspiration and emulation, knows best when these lives should be closed. His Will and His Grace must be sufficient for us.

Bethune-Cookman College is but one of the many Institutions that will miss him and will remember his work with gratitude.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 3, 1940

Miss Mildred M. Theus
161 Randolph Place, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Theus;

May I thank you for your letter of March 6, and for your desire to come to Bethune-Cookman College as a member of our staff.

The faculty for 1940-41 will not be made up until May and,at that time, we anticipate no need for a change in our present staff. However, we are filing your letter for consideration should an unexpected opening occur.

I am grateful to you for calling to our attention your qualifications.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 3, 1940.

Mr. Macgregor Smith, President
Florida Power and Light Company

Miami, Florida

My dear Mr. Smith:

I send this note to express our sincere appreciation for the extension of gas lines to the new Pinehaven Housing Project, for the Negroes of Daytona Beach.

We are especially grateful for the definite and important service of Mr. W. J. Suchors in making possible this advantage for our people. His untiring efforts, and intelligent, comprehensive presentation of the proposition gained the approval not only of our local Authority but of the officials in Washington. We feel that his service in this particular warrants the grateful acknowledgment that we feel. Mr. Suchors is doing a splendid job for the Florida Power and Light Company.

As a member of the Housing Authority of Daytona Beach, sponsoring this new Project, and as President of Bethune-Cookman College, I extend to you a cordial invitation to visit Pinehaven and Bethune-Cookman College, on one of your visits to Daytona Beach.

Very truly yours,

s/ Mary McLeod Bethune
Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Cc to Mr. W. J. Suchors.

April 3, 1940

Dr. Ida M. Baker
Seabreeze Station
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Dr. Baker:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College during these years and for your service given in making preparation for our Annual Bazaar. Your interest, influence and material support have meant so much to us.

Our Bazaar was a great success. This was made possible through the cooperation of friends like you. Please know, Dr. Baker, that we are grateful for your interest and confidence in our work. May God bless you and may you continue thoughtful of and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 3, 1940

Mrs. Brown
C/o Mrs. Fanning
Geneva Hotel
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Brown;

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College and for your service and time given in making preparation for our Annual Bazaar.

Our Bazaar was a great success. This was made possible through the cooperation, service and material support of friends like you. Please know, Mrs. Brown, that we are grateful for your interest and cooperation. May God bless you and may you continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 3, 1940

Mrs. John S. Byington
810 North Peninsula Drive
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Byington:

We wish to express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your material support.

Our Bazaar was a great success. This was made possible through the cooperation and material support of friends like you. May God bless you.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 3, 1940

Booker T. Washington High School
Tampa, Florida

Attention of the Principal

Dear Sir:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for the opportunity given our Singers to entertain you and for your contribution of $5.70 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

We hope you enjoyed the program rendered by our group and will give them an opportunity to serve you again in the future.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 3, 1940

Bradenton Methodist Episcopal Church
Bradenton, Florida

Attention of the Pastor

Dear Sir:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and the members of your Church for the opportunity given our Singers to entertain you and for your contribution of $5.02. We enclose official receipt for same.

We hope you enjoyed the program rendered by our group and will give them an opportunity to serve you again in the future.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 3, 1940

Gibbs High School
St. Petersburg, Florida

Attention of the Principal

Dear Sir:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and the members of your staff for the opportunity given our Singers to entertain you and for your contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

We hope you enjoyed the program rendered by our group and will give them an opportunity to serve you again soon.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April [illegible], 1940.

Mrs. T. R. Biddle,
903 North Oleander Avenue,

Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Biddle:

I did want so much to have an unhurried interview with you before returning to my work in Washington. I called your home and found that your mother was very, very fill, and was informed later that she had passed on.

I am sending this note to extend our deep sympathy to you in this great loss. It is our prayer that sufficient spiritual strength may be granted to you to understand our Father's infinite wisdom in these things.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 5, 1940.

Miss Lua P. Bartley,
Florida A and M College,

Tallahassee, Florida.

My dear Lua:

I am deeply in earnest when I say that we need you here at Bethune-Cookman College. Our work in Physical education, particularly for young women, has been sadly neglected.

I told Dr. Lee very frankly that I wanted you and needed you here. Of course, he does not want to think of letting you go from the State College. If, however, there is any possible way of your coming to Bethune-Cookman for the ensuing year it would mean so much to our program. Your father and I have talked of this for some time and I have discussed it with you also.

If there seem to be no possibilities of your coming to us, I wonder if you can recommend to me someone who can do the job that we must have done here.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 5, 1940.

Mrs. Gilbert H. Hood,
1012 North Atlantic Avenue,

Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Hood;

I have had a great desire to talk with you regarding Bethune-Cookman College, to see if you would not give deeper interest to the program we are fostering here.

Our work is such a challenge to those who wish to share in human uplift. I want to invite you to become more closely allied with us - to visit us and study us closely.

You have been so kind and generous to us this year and I want you to know how much we appreciate your help. I hope that you will do all else you can for us in influence and material aid. We are facing the fact that we must find five thousand dollars in extra gifts, over and above funds reasonably assured, if we would close this year without a deficit. Those who know us and who believe in our program can help us through their influence as well as through their own gifts.

Please, Mrs. Hood, keep Bethune-Cookman in your mind. We will be so grateful to you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 5, 1940.

Mr. Raynell Earl Sloan,
Postoffice Box 579,

Apalachicola, Florida.

My dear Sloan:

Mrs. Mitchell and I have been discussing you, in terms of service at Bethune-Cookman College.

Please let me know what you are doing. What are your inclinations and ambitions at this time? Did you complete your work at Hampton? What where your major and minor subjects there?

We are concerning ourselves with the right type of publicity for Bethune-Cookman College and we felt that you might be the man for this work.

Let me hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

April 9, 1940.

Mrs. Thomas A. Edison,
Llewelyn Park,
West Orange, New Jersey.

My dear Mrs. Edison:

It has been such a long time since we have heard from you, and we sincerely hope that your interest in Bethune-Cookman College has been kept alive through the years.

You will be interested to know that the Institution has made progress each year. We expanded our curriculum this year to include crafts for both boys and girls, for it is our firm belief that their success in life lies in their ability to use their hands as well as their heads. We have strengthened the work in agriculture and home economics also.

Friends have stood by us materially and we find ourselves in fair condition. Our endowment fund was increased by seven thousand dollars, through a special campaign last year. However, we still lack fifty percent of the endowment funds needed for a standard Junior College.

Our great anxiety at this time is occasioned by the fact that we must raise five thousand dollars in order to close our maintenance budget this year without a deficit. If this can be done, the way will be clear for the securing of larger funds for endowment.

In the past you were kind enough to contribute to our work. Wont you help us now, Mrs. Edison? We need your help so much at this time.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 9, 1940.

Barrister T. Augustus Toote,
Chambers,
Nassau, Bahamas.

My dear Barrister Toote:

The steady improvement in the curriculum of Bethune-Cookman College, the beautiful climate and surroundings, make us eager to have our student body representative of a much larger area than the State of Florida.

We are sending letters to High School Principals and influential citizens in all of the larger cities of the nearby States, asking them to call the attention of their graduates to the unusual facilities for rounded training that are offered in Bethune-Cookman College.

It occurred to me that I would write to you, to request the influence of you and Mrs. Toote, in securing some fine boys and girls from Nassau. It has been one of my dreams for a long time, to have a number of our fine Island children come to Bethune-Cookman.

If you will use your interest and influence in this direction, let us know and we will be glad to send you descriptive literature for distribution and more detailed statements concerning curriculum and extra-curriculum activities.

I sincerely hope that you, your dear wife and our other friends in Nassau are enjoying continudd good health and prosperity.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 9, 1940

Mrs. Harold Bowman
Gulf Stream Apartments and Cottages
Miami Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bowman:

Thank you for your letter of April 3, relative to your daughter entering Bethune-Cookman College.

We do not accept students who have not completed their high school work.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 9, 1940

Mrs. W. H. C. Goode,
Sidney, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Goode:

The General Conference is approaching, and the final amalgamation of your funds and your organization will soon take place.

Mrs. Goode, I am writing to ask that you keep our Institution in mind. Before your final amalgamation surely your Organization will make some contribution to our work. We do need help so greatly. We simply must find five thousand dollars, over and above the funds that I can secure, in order to close this year's work without a deficit. Wont you use your influence in our behalf?

Through your various departments, I wonder if you can make any gifts of linens or blankets or silver to our institution.

I am asking you, Mrs. Good, to please place Bethune-Cookman College on the list of women's work, after the reorganization goes into effect. It would mean so much to us to have your strong organization behind us. For these sixteen years I have been praying and working for some consideration and help from the women of the Church, but alas, none has come. We desire and greatly need their interest.

I shall see you at the General Conference. I am sure you will be there.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 10, 1940

Warren St. M. E. Church
Mobile, Alabama

Attention of the Pastor

Dear Friends:

We have just received your contribution of $3.00, Lincoln Day Gift to Bethune-Cookman College, through the Board of Education. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of three dollars toward Maintenance brings great relief to the College at this time. We are grateful for your interest and material support during these years.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Fund Raising

April 10, 1940

Clinton Court M. E. Church
Clinton, Alabama

Dear Friends:

We have just received your Race Relation Gift of $2.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through the Board of Education. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of two dollars toward Maintenance brings encouragement as well as material aid to the College at this time. We are grateful for your interest and material support during these years.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 10, 1940

Mr. Walter W. Scott, Manager
Hotel Theresa
7th Avenue at 125th Street
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Scott;

Thank you for your letter of April 3, informing me of the new plans and new management of the Hotel Theresa. If I should have need to make reservations for my friends or myself, when I am in New York, I will get in touch with you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 10, 1940.

Mr. W. W. Esch,
WMFJ Broadcasting Station,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mr. Esch:

We are in the midst of a Local Drive for Maintenance Funds for our Institution, and we are seeking, not only the material gifts of our friends but also the use of their influence in our behalf.

We are wondering if you would be kind enough to have an announcement of Bethune-Cookman College as a local attraction made over your station three evenings a week during this month. We would just want you to call attention to the College and to the fact that visitors are welcome on the campus at all times. It would help if a special statement is made of the Sunday Afternoon Community Meetings each week - held on Sunday at three o'clock, at which time our Choral groups render the beautiful Negro spirituals and Plantation Melodies, Anthems and Folk Songs. It has been expressed that this hour of Music constitutes one of the most interesting attractions in the City.

If you would be kind enough to have this announcement made, it would bring the attention of more potential friends to the school, and would be a most valuable contribution to our Local Drive.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 13, 1940.

Mr. George T. [illegible]ernsey, Editor,
THE AMERICAN TEACHER,
506 South Wabash Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Guernsey;

I hope that you will not judge my high acclaim for the splendid issue of THE AMERICAN TEACHER, devoted to the discussion of race equality and tolerance, by my delay in sending acknowledgment of it.

I cannot express in words my gratitude for your thought of me in this connection. I read this issue with a great satisfaction for each article set forth so clearly. Truly we have come a long way when such sane, constructive thinking is being given to this most important American topic.

My hands have been very, very full with the problem of maintenance of our Institution. As we continue the struggle for funds for this task of developing Christian citizens, it is gratifying to note that serious national thought is being given to the place and the service of Negro boys and girls, when they have completed their preparation in schools such as ours. Bethune-Cookman College gives an important place to the teaching of interracial good-will in its program. Through Interracial Conferences of college students, gatherings of Young People's Christian organizations, musical and literary programs in the College Auditorium, we serve this objective.

Again, may I thank you for sending me the January AMERICAN TEACHER, and for the far-sighted policy of your editorial Board in giving space to Race Equality and Tolerance.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 16, 1940.

Mrs. Gladys Hampton,
1129½ East Tenth Street,

Los Angeles, California.

My dear Mrs. Hampton:

The beautiful bass violin sent by Mr. Arthur Bernstein has come! I wish you might have shared with us the beaming smiles of the Instructor and the boys of the School Orchestra when we told them that it was here. Just a day or so before it came Mr. Normal sent them fifteen new orchestrations, so now you know they are rehearsing every spare moment.

Mrs. Bethune is being made very happy by this help and friendship from Mrs. Norman, Mr. Norman, you and Mr. Hampton and now from Mr. Bernstein. It has been her dream for so long to have a really good Band and Orchestra at Bethune-Cookman, but lack of funds has prevented the purchase of necessary instruments. With your interest and help, it seems that this dream will be realized. She is in Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore at this time, for examination and necessary treatment. We do not know how long she will have to remain in the hospital but we do know that she must have some let-up from her too strenuous routine of activity. Her heart was gladdened by the news of the bass violin being here.

Students and teachers of Bethune-Cookman join me in expressing gratitude to you and Mr. Hampton. We are writing to Mr. Bernstein to express our appreciation to him.

Sincerely yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell,
Secretary of the College.

April 18, 1940

Mrs. Thomas Fleming, Jr.
1541 Lombardy Road
Pasadena, California

Dear Mrs. Fleming:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of twenty-five dollars brings great relief to the College at this time. These are very strenuous days for us and your help is greatly appreciated. Your interest and material support have meant so much to us during these years.

We solicit your continued interest. Please tell your friends about our work here and use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 18, 1940

Mrs. Beauty Bass
620 Sanford Avenue
Sanford, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bass:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

We are grateful for your interest and material support during these strenuous days. Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 19, 1940

The Bee Hive Department Store
324 North Beach Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

Attention of the Manager

Dear Sir:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your material support during these years.

We are so grateful to you for the lovely spread given for the Infirmary in our dormitory. These are very strenuous days for us and your help in anyway is greatly appreciated.

Please use your influence in our behalf whenever possible. Tell your friends about Bethune-Cookman College.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 22, 1940

Mrs. W. P. Benson
604 Goodall Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Benson:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of twenty-five dollars brings great encouragement to the College at this time. These are very strenuous days for us and your help is greatly appreciated.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 22, 1940

Mr. Harry M. Griffin
A. I. A. Architect
309 Grandview Avenue North
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Griffin:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for your material support during these years. Your influence and material support have meant so much to us.

Your recent contribution of $25.00 brings great relief to the College at this time. These are very strenuous days for us and your help is greatly appreciated. It is so encouraging to have a staunch friend like you to stand by the College and give material support during these dark days. May God bless you and may you continue thoughtful of us and use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Receipt enclosed.

Done

April 25, 1940

Mr. Homer P. Clark
West Publishing Company
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Clark:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College and for your contribution of $100.00. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of one hundred dollars brings great encouragement as well as material aid to the College at this time. These are very strenuous days for us and your help is greatly appreciated. It brings joy to my heart and gives me new strength to carry on, when my friends express their interest and confidence in a material way as you have done. May God bless you and may you continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Doris

April 26, 1940

Mrs. A. W. Esleeck
528 South Palmetto Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Esleeck:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of five dollars brings great relief to the College at this time. These are very strenuous days for us and your help is greatly appreciated. We are grateful for your interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Brown.

April 26, 1940

Mrs. Brewer Eddy
82 Kirkstall Road
Newtonville, Massachusetts

Dear Mrs. Eddy:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College and for your contribution of $10.00. We enclose official receipt for same.

Your contribution of ten dollars brings great relief to the College at this time. These are very strenuous days for us and your help is greatly appreciated. We are grateful for your interest and cooperation.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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